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### APRIL LECTURE SERIES – FEATURING PAT HATCHER AND PAULA PARKE

#### Pat Hatcher Presentations

#### "They Just Show'd Up!"---Where to Look When You Don't Know Where to Look

Most genealogists who have ancestry west of the mountains sooner or later encounter the problem of an ancestor who seems to appear out of nowhere. Often arriving in the earliest years of settlement, usually a farmer, sometimes single, sometimes accompanied by a wife and children, the individual offers few direct clues to his roots. We may feel that we have searched and searched in vain, and that the task is hopeless. This lecture presents a structured method for reviewing your existing research and identifying additional resources that can lead to the solution to the problem.

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Some genealogists are more successful than others at solving tough problems. Why? What traits, skills, habits, and activities increase that success rate? And how can we acquire them?

#### **Paula Parke Presentations**

#### News Flash! What's In this Edition; Secular & Denominational Newspapers

Births, marriages, deaths, wedding anniversaries and local "gossip" are just some of the items to be found in newspapers There have been many types of newspapers published over the years such as occupational/trades, ethnic, church, agricultural to name a few. Learning about how to access these records will guide the genealogist to locate more information on their ancestors. Will cover time periods, types of newspapers published, location of the papers, records to be found and how to retrieve these under-used sources.

#### Locating Elusive Ancestors! Making "Sense" of the Non- Population Census: Types, Tips, & Repositories:

Many different types of non-population Census exist but are rarely used. Have you ever wondered if you have an "Idiot or Insane" person in the family tree? There is a distinct difference in the meaning of these terms for the Census taker. Did you have someone that committed a crime? Social Statistics will help the genealogist find lists of churches by denomination, number of members, city cemeteries, trade societies, schools and much more. Agricultural census will put a family in perspective to show how they lived. Mortality, Slave, Manufacturing, Enumeration Districts, Homeless Children and other Census are just a few of the tools to help locate and learn more about your elusive ancestors! With effective use of these tools learn more about your ancestors. Repositories where they are located are discussed. Includes unknown and underused special schedules with examples shown of various types. U. S. Federal, State, Territorial and many other censuses examined.

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Regular meetings and special interest group meetings are held in the plaza level Auditorium and East/West Rooms of the Dallas Public J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street, in downtown Dallas. Guarded parking available underneath the library.

DGS meets fourth Mondays September – May. December meeting is second Monday. Social time is 6:30-7:00 for meeting fellow genealogists, renting audio tapes, and refreshments. The business meeting and program begins at 7:00 PM.

DGS COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP meets on second Thursdays in the Library Auditorium beginning at 6:30 PM.

DGS AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTEREST GROUP meets third Tuesdays in the Library Auditorium beginning at 6:30 PM.

All DGS and SIG meetings are free and open to the public.

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DGS EVENTS include the Fall Conference, Beginner Genealogy Workshop, Beginner Computer Workshop, Lecture Series, LDS/FHC Seminar, and Salt Lake City Research Trip.

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

#### Shari Degan President, DGS, 2000-2001

Greetings from Salt Lake City! There are 30 DGS members on the trip this year. A special thanks to Office Depot, Office Max, Staples, <u>www.luggagetags.com</u>, Susan Powdrill, and Joy Dunaway for making donations to the trip participants.

The Society has set the speaking schedule for the 2001 – 2002 calendar year. Tony Burroughs (September 29, 2001), Lloyd Bockstruck (October 13, 2001), Curt Witcher (February 9, 2002) and Dick Eastman (April 9, 2002). Look for the brochure in the mail by May 1, 2001.

The 1930 Census will be released on April 1, 2002. DGS is currently raising money to purchase the census rolls for Texas. Each roll of film will cost about \$25 each. If you would like to adopt a state or county, please mail the contribution to DGS and designate the state and county on the check.

I will be speaking at the April monthly meeting. The topic will be Murder, Mayhem, and Researching in Law Enforcement Records. The meeting will be held on April 23, 2001 at 7:00 p.m.

It is time for me to go and get back to the LDS Library!

### 1930 Texas Census

Believe it or not – between the collection taken up at the Dollarhide Lecture and the funds raised for the silent auction, we have already raised almost enough money already to purchase the 1930 Texas Census! Thank you – and please help us work on surrounding states too – our goal is to raise enough money to purchase the entire 1930 US Census in time for the April 1, 2002 release. Just call us April Fools...

### Collection Report Dollarhide Lecture

Money collected at Bill Dollarhide Lecture: 3/10/2001

Adopt a State AR	\$ 64.00
Adopt a State MO	4.00
Hospitality Donations	231.27
1930 Texas Census	1,604.61
Late Registration	1,385.00
Early Registration – April Lecture	35.00
New and Renewed Memberships:	160.00
Bill Benson Memorial Fund	
(for map for library)	156.51
plus Collected at Board Mtg.	226.00
(for a Total of \$422.51)	
Total Collected:	\$3,640.39

# Give Credit Where Credit is Due!

Last month's wonderful article, "Dallas School Namesakes Found at Oakland Cemetery" lost its byline on the way to the printer! I have received so many compliments on the article, I want to make sure everyone knows I can't take the credit for it – the article was written and submitted by Barbara Ware — and deserved every word of praise it got – so if you enjoyed the article, please let her know in person!

And along those same lines, several people got left left off of the DGS members list who helped with GenTech – and two of those most important folks were Gretchen King and John Shephard. Without these two, the conference would simply have been a pale imitation of itself. Gretchen, most especially, juggled registration and meal reservations and the like in between flights and took a confused mass of folks and helped make them a conference. If any other members were missed, please accept apologies for the oversight and accept heartfelt thanks for a job well done.

#### IN MEMORIAM

#### Bill Benson's Expansion of the Genealogy Section by Art Rubeck

Jan McFarland got it started, but Bill Benson made it happen.

As Bill explained it, when the Dallas Public Library moved into the current building, there was so much room available that the furnishings merely were scattered around to fill the space. Most departments could easily continue to operate in their space as they regularly weeded their collections, but not so for Genealogy. As new material was received and none discarded, the available space became smaller and smaller until it disappeared. Something had to go.

The category selected was the county histories. Those who used the Genealogy Section in the early '90s will recall having to fill out slips to order those books from the back storage area, a hassle for both patrons and staff. No browsing. The public was not being served.

In early 1993, Jan McFarland suggested that a study be made to alleviate this situation. Soon a group of Jan, Art Rubeck, John Wylie, and Leslie Collier began meeting monthly at Jan's to discuss options. Concepts and fund raising were discussed but there was no detailed plan. Then Bill Benson joined the group and lent his architectural expertise. After much study and surveying of the Eighth Floor, he came up with his expansion plan. Move one non-load-bearing wall, buy additional furniture, and arrange everything for maximum efficiency. We had a goal.

The group—now the Capital Expansion Committee—was off and running. A user survey was set up to obtain data to justify the expansion. Candidate donor organizations were contacted. A wide. variety of fund-raising activities were initiated. Microfilm reader and posters were sold and many unusual events were sponsored—from a tour to Salt Lake City to a picnic in the Pioneer Cemetery. Many, many individuals became involved. Donations poured in. All to support the plan that Bill Benson had conceived and was now spending so much of his time on.

Bill selected the equipment and furnishings, including the desks, carrels, chairs, cabinets, and bookcases. He coordinated with the City on changes they would need to make. His congenial personality made it easy for everyone to work together. Jan McFarland continued to be the initiating force behind the program, but the design of the expansion of the Genealogy Section was truly Bill's. Later Karen Miller took over as the group leader, but Bill continued to donate his time and talents.

In 1996 it was finally completed. The county histories could now be brought out for access and browsing. Additional microfilm readers nearly eliminated the frustrating waiting. Enough desk space was now available to accommodate the ever-increasing patronage of the growing hobby of genealogy. But without the expertise, drive, and generosity of Bill Benson, the expansion of the Genealogical Section of the Dallas Public Library would not have happened. He will be long remembered.

#### **Remembering Bill Benson**

by Sammie Townsend Lee

William E. "Bill" Benson passed away on 1 March 2001. By profession Bill was a well-known Dallas architect and engineer with a long and distinguished career. We genealogists knew Bill best as a long-time, active member of the Dallas Genealogical Society and a dedicated supporter of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library. I knew him as a good friend for over twelve years. This remembrance is meant as a tribute to his talent, philanthropy, and friendship.

I first met Bill in 1988 when I was president of DGS. Bill came on the board that year as director of publicity. He had dozens of ideas about how to publicize the society and our special events. That was unique, because it had not previously been done. Bill used his drafting and drawing talents to "invent" his triangular posters that advertised DGS workshops and seminars. The board members either loved those posters or hated them, but they did the job Bill intended. They caught the eye of the observer and increased awareness of our programs. Bill always had great enthusiasm for any project.

Over the next dozen years Bill served on many DGS boards and committees, but none as important and memorable as when he turned out to be the saving grace of the mid-1990s DGS sponsored expansion of the Genealogy Section. At a time when the expansion seemed to be stalled and more funds were needed to become a reality, Bill stepped forward to donate his professional services. He drafted the plans that he guaranteed would double the shelf space of the collection. As construction began, he monitored every improvement and saw the remodeling project to the end. On the evening when dozens of volunteers turned out to facilitate the move into the new, improved space, there was Bill showing us where every book stack, shelf, file cabinet, and machine was to be placed. He was correct. We did double our shelf space. Books that had been in closed stacks came back out on the shelves. Bill never asked for or received a penny for his time or work, but he earned the respect and friendship of everyone involved in the project.

Most recently Bill was once again donating his expertise regarding the upcoming remodeling of the eighth floor. While not in charge this time, Bill was helping by drawing plans to show how we could fit much of our genealogy collection on the fourth floor while we weather the "remodeling storm." In addition, he was heading up the DGS Grants Committee.

Bill's long-time commitment to the community and to genealogy was talked about at his memorial service held on 6 March. Friends, family members, and his minister spoke of his accomplishments, deep religious commitment, strong family ties, and many good deeds Bill has done and for which he will be remembered. A personal memory of Bill Benson is when he stood up for me and three colleagues when a project that we developed, nurtured, and in which we took a great deal of pride was drawing criticism. Bill was our champion. I, for one, will miss him greatly and I am glad to have had his friendship. Moreover, our genealogical community is diminished with his death. Bill was seventy-seven years young and still going strong. We lost him way too soon.

\*\*\*You can take an opportunity to make your own contribution – the time is drawing near for the next stage of renovation of the 8<sup>th</sup> floor. If you can contribute your time and energy, please submit the volunteer form at the end of the issue to let us know your willingness and availability – it takes many hands to move all those books – and then move them back – and I speak from personal experience that it is a very rewarding and very fun experience – and you feel a great deal of pride every time you enter the genealogy section and see the renovations – and know it could not have happened without you. I am sure Bill felt that same sense of pride whenever he entered the library – take the time to give your time. – Cheryl Mann, Newsletter Editor\*\*\*

### Coming July 19-22, 2001 The Washington D.C. Institute

Everything you have always wanted to Know about research in The Washington D.C. Area Taught by Dr. John Colletta and Lloyd Bockstruck

Registration Fee: \$200.00 (includes notebook, guided research, Friday and Saturday lunches, Sunday brunch)

Deposit: \$100.00 (must be postmarked by July 11, 2001

Balance Due at Registration July 19, 2001

The Ramada Inn Hotel has been chosen due to its convenient location to the J. Erik Jonnson Library. Daily free hotel shuttle service will be provided to and from the Library. Attendees are also welcome to drive – parking is available, both at the hotel (free) and in the underground garage of the downtown library. Mention DGS when making your hotel reservation to be assured of the group discount rate of \$79.00 per night, plus applicable taxes. Room availability is limited, reserve now.

Ramada Plaza Hotel 1011 South Akard, Dallas, TX 75215 (214) 421-1083 (214) 428-6827 (fax)

#### **Class Schedule:**

Thursday, July 19: 6 p.m.: Registration at DPL Auditorium 7 p.m. – 8:45: Welcome by DGS, Overview of Washington

#### Friday, July 20:

9 a.m. - 7 p.m.: Libraries, Archives and Public Record Offices: Understand Resources; The DAR Library; The Library of Congress; Lesser Known Repositories in Washington, D.C.

#### Saturday, July 21:

9:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.: Our National Archives: The Astounding Institution and How to Use it; National Archives Treasures (records on passenger arrivals, federal courts, naturalization, non-population censuses, federal land records, passport applications, Civil War income tax records); Military Records (includes service pension, bounty land); library research Sunday, July 22:

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.: Brunch at Ramada Hotel

10 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.: Library of Virginia and Virginia Historical Society; Is Any Body There? Tracking Ancestral Remains; Closing

## Registration

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Attendees are expected to make their own hotel reservations. If you need assistance in finding a roommate, we will try to assist (not guaranteed).

Yes, need assistance.

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# **ORAL HISTORY**

Okay, so you are ready for that interview, but still stumped for questions? Let's put a few together . . .

#### Names

Do you know the country of origin of your family name?

Do you know the meaning of your family name?

Do you know of other spellings used by ancestors or different family branches?

Do you know if the name was changed when immigration took place? If so, do you know what the former name was?

How do you feel about your family name? Was it something you were ribbed about when you were younger? Did you ever have a nickname that came about because of your family name?

What about your first and middle name? Do you know how your names were chosen? Were you named after another family member? Someone famous? An old friend of the family? How do you feel about your name? Did you ever have a nickname that came about from your first or middle name?

On nicknames in general, what nicknames have you had through your life? How did you feel about each one?

Regarding other family members – what are their birth names? Do they have other names they go by within the family or with their peers? Did they use other names when they were younger? What about married names? Do you know married names for each of the women in the family? Did they have more than one married name? Do you know who your siblings were named after or where their names came from?

Did your parents have a special name for you or for your siblings? What is the story behind the creation of that name? Was there something special you were called in loving times or when you were in trouble? What about your siblings?

What were your parents names? Your grandparents and great-grandparents? Did they have pet names for each other or nicknames they used?

#### **Family Origins**

Do you know where your family's ancestry is from? Do you know stories about family origins or immigration stories? Why did they leave their place of origin? Why did they go where they went?

How did your parents meet? Your grandparents? Do you know the stories of their weddings or other courting events? What did they do on dates before they were married?

Where were you born? Your siblings? Was it in a hospital? If not, where? And was that planned? Are there any interesting stories around your birth that you remember? How about other family members?

Did you live in the same house all through childhood? Do you know if that house is still standing? Was the house built for your family? Do you know its history? If you did not live there all your life, can you tell me addresses for the other homes you have lived in?

In your hometown, what was the favorite pastime? What sports were popular? Did you have favorite activities for summer and winter? What were the family traditions around holidays?

What sort of church were you raised in? What were your family's religious beliefs and practices? Do you know if that was the traditional religion of your family or if there had been a change? If so, what was the former religion?

Where did you go to school? Did you graduate? What did you major in? What were your special interests in school? What sort of student were you? Did you enjoy school? If not, what about it did you not like? Were you active in clubs or sports? What sort of activities did you take part in? Were you an officer? Did you have special activities at church that you were part of? What about Scouts or other clubs of that sort?

Did you have hobbies when you were younger that you no longer practice? What were they?

What kind of chores did you have with your family? Did you get an allowance? Were you paid for your chores? What sort of jobs did you have as a youngster?

What was your favorite meal as a youngster? What sort of things did your family do when someone was ill? Did you ever have serious illnesses or accidents? What about your siblings?

More next month!

--Cheryl Lee Mann, VP - Newsletter

### Recovery of Lost Dallas County Probate Records Book

The following is reprinted courtesy of the author, Jeffrey D. Dunn, Chairman of the Dallas County Historical Commission (and thanks to Shirley Sloat for supplying the information!):

#### December 28, 2000

Honorable Lee F. Jackson County Judge Dallas County Commissioners Court 411 Elm Street Dallas, Texas 75202

#### **RE: Lost Probate Book Recovered**

#### Dear Judge Jackson:

I am writing to commend the Sheriff's Department and Records Management Officer Margaret Anderson for their quick work in retrieving a missing Dallas County Probate Record book dating from the 1870s. A few weeks ago I happened to find a Dallas County record book for sale on the eBay Internet auction site. A copy of the Auction advertisement is enclosed with this letter. I notified David Kuykendall at the Sheriff's Department and requested that he take notice of the advertisement. Mr. Kuykendall assigned Captain Larry Harris and Detective Howard Sparks to investigate the auction. Detective Sparks and Margaret Anderson located the seller and retrieved the book. I understand that the seller obtained the book from a reputable third party at a foreclosure sale and without knowledge that the book was county property. Ms. Anderson and I inspected the book and have found it to be an authentic probate record book from the 1871-1873 period. Ms. Anderson reported to me that this book and two others from this era were known to have been missing for several years. No copies of the book exist. Consequently, the good work of the Sheriff's Department and Ms. Anderson resulted in the retrieval of a unique and irreplaceable record of our county's history.

There is a coincidental anecdote to this event. On reviewing the recovered book, I discovered that several records pertain to the estate of T.C. Hawpe, who was murdered by a friend on the courthouse steps in 1864. Hawpe was a former Dallas County Sheriff and was remembered on October 7, 2000 by our commission with the placement of an Official Texas Historical Marker at his gravesite in Pioneer Cemetery. Thus, it was Hawpe's modern deputies who retrieved his lost probate records almost at the same time the county historical commission honored him with a state historical marker. This incident underscores the need to ensure that our county's historic 19<sup>th</sup> century records are properly stored, secured, and preserved. The Dallas Genealogical Society recently completed a comprehensive inventory of the county's records that contain vital statistics. The historical commission intends to review this report and work with Ms. Anderson to target these and other historical records that may need better storage and preservation. I am hopeful that the commission will be in a position to advise her and the commissioners court on this matter early next year.

The historical commission is also hopeful that if the retrieval of this lost probate book is publicized, the person or persons who now possess the other two missing probate books from the 1870's (referred to as "Exhibit Record B" and "Exhibit Record C") will return them to the county expeditiously.

Very truly yours, Jeffrey D. Dunn, Chairman Dallas County Historical Commission c/o Hunsch Hardt Kopf & Harr, P.C. 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 4000 Dallas, TX 75202-2790 (214) 855-7588 e-mail: jdunn@munsch.com

Editor's Note: If you have any knowledge of the other missing Probate Record books or any other historical information along those lines, please contact Mr. Dunn and let him know so they may attempt to recover the records for preservation. And if you are an online auction fan, please keep your eyes open for any historical materials of this type – not just those affecting Dallas County, and make an attempt to have these records returned to their original home so that we may all enjoy them for many years to come. Items like this belong to the public – not an individual.

#### **DIGITAL MICROFILM READERS**

Several members who were on the Salt Lake City trip came home with precious new items – CDs containing copies of microfilm made with the new digital microfilm reader available at the Family History Library. Your newsletter editor is the proud owner of a copy of the town minutes from her small Massachusetts town that she needs to start on her history of said same town – after searching for three years for a copy to own. It's a great feeling.

Kris Richins has declared we need three of these wonder machines for our own Dallas Library. If 150 of us donated \$50 each, it will pay for one machine. So, let's see, that's 300 of us at \$25 or 70 of us at \$100 or  $\ldots$ 

New fund raiser ideas cheerfully accepted!

# City Directories Solve Benson Mysteries

I had two problems. First, why couldn't I find Frank Benson in that nifty on-line California Death Index? <http://userdb.rootsweb.com/ca/death/search.cgi>. He had to be there. In 1963, his home in the hills of Berkeley overlooked the city of San Francisco. Surely, he had not moved away from that gorgeous view.

Secondly, what was the name of Frank's father? Nothing had turned up in a search of the marriage records in Brazoria County, Texas (where his mother's parents had lived) or in the records of the surrounding counties. The 1900 Harris County census was another dead end. His mother, Mary Catherine Benson was a widow by then.

In 1901 Mary Catherine married George Fisher in Houston, Texas. Beginning with the 1902 Houston City Directory, I had recorded the residences of the Fisher household. However, I had neglected to look at the Benson listings because I did not think children would be included. Desperate for clues, I went back to the city directories. Frank, aged 18, appeared for the first time in the 1912 directory. The 1913 directory added a middle initial with its listing of Frank W. Benson. W. Frank Benson looked like a misprint in the 1915 directory, until Wm. F. Benson turned up in the 1917 directory and W. Frank in the 1918. It appeared the man always called "Frank" by his cousins was really William. I raced home to my computer and found William F. Benson had died in Alameda County, California on August 13,1973.

The City directory had solved one problem. Maybe, it would solve the other. I started looking at the Benson listings before Mary Catherine's second marriage. In the 1900 - 1901 Houston City Directory, I found M. Catherine Benson, widow of A. L. The 1899 directory showed her as the widow of Alfred. Alfred was not in the 1895 directory, but I discovered a streetcar conductor named Albert L. Benson who worked for the same company as George Fisher. Frank Benson's application for Social Security verified that his father was Albert Lafayette Benson.

City directories had solved two problems and provided a new one. Who was Mrs. Emma Benson who lived with the Fisher family in 1917?

-- Kathy Wiliston

# QUERY

I am in the process of researching my maternal family line, namely the Vanderfords ...

At the moment, I am particularly interested in the following persons who, I believe entered Texas and probably died there.

Anderson Venderford: Born 1814 Chatham Co., N.C. Moved to Orange Co., Raleigh, before leaving N.C. with family after 1850. His wife returns as a widow with family by 1870. Anderson evidently died out-of-state, reportedly 1856-70, otherwise specifically 1863. Location unknown, but relatives possibly in Texas during that time.

Roscoe Vanderford: Son of Anderson, born 1856, left Salisbury, N.C. probably by mid 1880s, reputed to have gone to Texas. Never heard from, date of death unknown.

Any help or direction you might give would be most appreciated.

Max L. Barker 213 Tram Rd. Columbia, .S.C. 29210

### Don't forget the Rangers, Texas, that is.

A few years ago a friend of mine, Bob Stephens, wrote an article for us about the Texas Rangers which was published in the DGS Newsletter. As some of your may remember, Bob has written a number of books on Texas history and the Rangers.

The Ranger organization, which still exists today, was established in 1823, giving them a long history of record keeping, and us some great records to research.

Their records include both pension and muster rolls, and the pension records are comprised of rejected and approved files. Many of these give date of birth, marriage and sometimes the name of a spouse. You might even find a location for some of these events.

Copies of these records are found at the Texas State Library in Austin and the National Archives.

This gives us another hiding place where we might uncover one of those elusive Texas ancestors, and guess what, you may find a Texas Ranger in the history of your family.

--Shirley Hawn

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#### NEW TOASTMASTERS GROUP FORMING

Cheryl Mann is in the process of forming a new Toastmasters group that will concentrate on training new family history lecturers and is open to anyone who is a lecturer, always dreamed of being one, or simply loves family history.

Toastmasters is a wonderful, supportive organization that supports people in overcome the fear of being in front of a room and the worry of getting tongue-tied by providing frequent opportunities to speak for from 3 to 15 minutes and offers manuals and mentoring to give you every assistance in getting trained.

If you are interested in attending a demonstration meeting, or would like to attend a regular Toastmasters meeting to see what they are like, please contact Cheryl at <u>mannel@earthlink.net</u>.

### WANTED!!! VERY MUCH ALIVE!!!!

Spring & Fall 2001 Speakers / Presenters Experts and Presenters-in-training

Opportunity to practice your presentation in front of a live audience

Technical or Organizational topics

Contact: Don Raney - donraney@home.com or Steve Reid - sereid44@aol.com

## CIG GROUP MONTHLY MEETINGS

Held on the second Thursday of the month at the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, 1515 Young Street in the Auditorium (ground floor, just outside the security monitors and across from the bookstore). Underground parking is available with access from Wood Street.

- 6:30 PM Open forum Question and answer session related to personal challenges and new "finds" that can be shared with fellow members.
- 7:00 PM Our presenter begins
- 7:45 PM Open forum for questions & answers about the presentation
- 8:00 PM Informal dinner gathering at Chili's on Knox-Henderson (on own)

### Upcoming CIG Programs Thursday, April 12, 2001 @ 6:30 PM Speaker: Minnie Pitts Champ

#### "Publishing? Don't Procrastinate Any Longer"

Do you want to know how to take your file cabinet full of family history notes and see it published in book form? This program will take you through the steps of organizing, preparing manuscript or computer disks, bidding and negotiating out the job and accepting delivery of your final book. Decisions which have to be made at each stage of the process will be discussed.

Minnie Pitts Champ is carrying on the publishing career of her mother, Alice Ellison Pitts, who started publishing books about Collin County, Texas, in 1975. The last two books, a series entitled COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, FAMILIES, were published in 1994 and 1998. With a 25-year publication history, her company, Collin County Book Co., participates in conventions around the country.

A former DGS president and Quarterly editor, Minnie has organized genealogy tours through her company, Irish Genealogy Co. She founded the North Collin County Genealogical Society in McKinney which just celebrated its fifth anniversary, and she is a Partner Member of the Texas State Genealogical Society. Currently she is collecting information for two additional books on Collin County: COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, EARLY SCHOOLS AND COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS, FAMILIES, Vol. III. Having lived for three years on the island of Kauai, she just returned from her annual trek to her "island home."

#### Thursday, May 10, 2001 @ 6:30 PM Speaker: James Bryan "Beau" Sharbrough

#### "Genealogy - Thinking Outside the Box"

Are you interested in learning more about the use of new tools to aid in your genealogy and family history quest? Some researchers use spreadsheets as a screening tool in genealogy applications. Beau Sharbrough will review some new applications for such tools and teach us some new ways to think as we pursue our research.

Beau Sharbrough is a programming consultant, lecturer and operates his own computer consulting business - USEFUL COMPUTING. He is also the President of GENTECH and speaks on a variety of genealogy subjects to audiences around the United States. He is founder of the FGS and GENTECH websites and also the Lexicon Working Group (the group that developed the GENTECH Genealogical Data Model).

Additionally, Beau's activities include membership on the Liberal Arts Development Council and the Philosophy Department Alumni Advisory Council at Texas A&M University. Please join us for a most interesting presentation from this experienced lecturer.

#### June – August Summer Break

We do not meet during the summer months, but use this time to prepare for the upcoming year!

In May, we look forward to discussing new ideas and encouraging volunteers to participate in organizing our 2001-2 CIG year – perhaps you would like to help facilitate speakers at our sessions, procure equipment for special presentations, help organize a workshop, or write something "computer related" for the Dallas Genealogical Newsletter.

We are a growing group and our 2000-1 CIG programs have been interesting and diverse...Next year can be even better with your assistance in some small way!

#### AAGIG Revised 2000-2001 Program Listing

#### April 17: Lloyd Bockstruck

Lloyd is the head of the Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library and writes the well known Family Tree column in the Dallas Morning News. He is a life member of the Dallas Genealogical Society and is a popular speaker locally and nationally. Lloyd has taught basic and intermediate genealogy through Southern Methodist University's School of Continuing Education. He teaches and is a course coordinator for the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research at Samford University, as well as Dallas' own Institute of Genealogical Studies. Lloyd is a member of many patriotic organizations and has served as an officer of several, including Sons of the American Revolution, Order of Founders and Patriots of America, and Society of Colonial Wars. In 1978, he received the Award of Merit from the National Genealogical Society, and in 1992 he was named a Fellow of the National Genealogical Society.

May 20:

Fund Raiser Tour of Black Dallas

# **Silent Auction**

If you missed the Silent Auction, you missed some great food and some wonderful laughs. The rivalry over a few items (who would ever have thought that a Black's Law Dictionary and a Peter Cottontail baby quilt would create such fun rivalries – not to mention the DPD Crime Lab Tour – which was a whole other event all on its own!). While the turnout was disappointing, the event and the items donated was not at all. The auction itself brought in \$1,256.00 in proceeds, and other sales (which included the magazine/journal sell off) brought in \$78.60! The proceeds will be added to the Texas 1930 Census fund and puts us a long way down the road to having the Texas census paid for!

We would like to acknowledge all the hard work by a number of DGS members – from Tresa Tatyrek who took over the organization and planning (which took many hours of her time!) to set up at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour and still managed to pull off a great fun afternoon, Shari Degan and Tresa who spent a long and exhausting Friday afternoon dragging tables out of storage and setting them up, Cheryl Mann and Tresa who decorated the tables with tablecloths of spring colors and Tresa's hand painted ceramics and lots of Easter grass, all of the wonderful volunteers who showed up several hours early – not all of whom were board members – to decorate tables and ice down drinks, and all of the board members and friends who stayed late to take down the tables, vacuum the floor, bag up the trash and stack the chairs.

And a very special thank you to the Dallas Police Association for allowing us to use their space – and their wonderful staff – who showed up and helped the whole day – as volunteers – to make our event a great success. They truly made the event – the space was wonderful and we had lots of freedom to move around, stuff our faces, yak and beg for recipes.

The food was fabulous. We had Honey Baked Ham – two hams were donated for the event from Honey Baked – added to the generosity of WalMart, which donated bread, drinks, condiments and items like paper plates and the like – to serve us with the ham and the wonderful salads and side dishes that came in the door with the auction attendees. If you didn't come, you missed a great afternoon! (My personal new favorite was those darn chocolate dipped Ritz peanut butter crackers with crunchy peanut butter!) We may not have made a lot of new connections with our surnames, but we sure fostered some new friendships and got some good storytelling in that afternoon!

Among the wonderful items that were donated were included many handicrafts (we had several wonderful cross stitch items and a couple of hand quilted baby quilts as well as some wonderful notecards and artwork that was beautiful), lots of wonderful books, a well fought over 1999 Persi CD set, a number of wonderful gift baskets, and best of all the gift of folks' time. The list below will illustrate the great variety of stuff that was donated – and our special thanks go out to those who donated their professional services in their personal time to this effort. Take a look at the list, and start thinking about what special talent you can contribute to the next auction! We are already working on a new and improved auction for next year.

### Gifts Donated for the Silent Auction:

#### **Services**

Adrianne Jamieson, Research Assistance Cheryl Mann, Computer Training Edwin Boehringer, Research Time Helen Wilson, Computer Software Help Kris Richins, Research Time Lloyd Bockstruck, Research Time Shari Degan, Tour of DPD Crime Scene Lab Tresa Tatyrek, Family Treemaker Training Tresa Tatyrek, Family Web Page Design

#### Books, Magazines, Software & Tapes

10 Minute Guide to HTML StyleSheets 1999 Persi CD A Preservation Guide August 1975 Newspaper ad about Ebony Bicentennial Issue Basic Researcher's Guide to Homesteads and Other Federal Land Records

Bicentennial August 1975 issue of Ebony Black's Law Dictionary Civil War through the Eyes of A Rebel War Clerk **Collecting Dead Relatives** Collecting Dead Relatives/Further Undertakings of a Dead Relative Collector **Cottonwood Roots** Dictionary of the American Indian Family Diseases - Are you at Risk? Family Tree Maker Manual Family Tree Maker Virginia Genealogies FamilySearch Immigration Index 1840-1890 CD Freedman's Bank Record CD Gone But Not Fogotten, Genealogy and Grave Hunting Heroines of Dixie How to Become a Professional Genealogist How to Tape Instant Oral Biographies Illustrated History of Ireland 400 to 1800 AD

In Search of Your Canadian Roots Life Among the Apaches Map Guide to American Migration Routes Marriage Index - Denton County, TX My Family Kit My Roots and Branches Organizer Netting Your Ancestors Netting Your Ancestors NGS Crossword Puzzles Nicknames Past and Present Nicknames, Past and Present Nicknames, Past and Present **Roman Britain** Southern By the Grace of God Tales of Old-Time Texas Tape: Understanding Ancestral Frontier Texas in the War 1861-1856 The Caruths - Dallas' Landed Gentry The Flowering of Ireland The Gates of the Alamo The Genealogist's Video Research Guide The Magna Carta Sureties The Origins of Modern Germany The Source The US Census - Your New Best Friend **Tracing Your Roots** Trail of Tears Truths of History, A Historical Perspective of the Civil War from the Southern Viewpoint Two volumes of Dallas Co. Marriage Records Understanding Colonial Handwriting Where to Write for County Maps Why Stop, A Guide to Texas Historical Roadside Markers Your Family History

#### Miscellaneous

3 sets Genealogy Note Cards Ancestry, Inc. 25% Gift Certificate Ashton-Drake Porcelain Baby Doll **Christmas Figurines Counted Cross Stitch** Counted Cross Stitch "Love One Another" Creative Memories Scrapbook **Crocheted Coasters** Cross Stitch "Do all things with Love" Cross Stitch Trinket Box Dallas Cowboy Wall Hanging **DAR** Certificate Frame **Dog Obedience Training Cassettes** Gift Box Halloween Figurines (2 sets) Hand Painted Gift Cards Heritage Wall Quilt HP DeskJet Ink Cartridges Jig Saw Puzzle Mr. Planter Dartboard

Paper Shredder Peter Cottontail Baby Quilt Ring Trinket Box Sand Tart Recipe Thanksgiving Figurines Valentine Figurines

#### **Gift Baskets**

Feline Special Treats Kid's Movie Day Out Mary Kay Gift Basket Pet Treats (2)

# Tom Thumb Reward Card

Don't forget that you can use your Tom Thumb Reward Card to make painless donations to DGS! Just give the cashier DGS's code (No. 4253). Last year members donated over \$1,200 through the Tom Thumb program!

#### **Book Hunt!**

Am looking for copy of Hugh Cooper (1720-1793) of Fishing Creek, South Carolina and His Descendents by Lesbia Word Roberts. U. J. McCormick, 5608 Andover, Fort Worth, TX 76114-1504 or jmccormick2@aol.com.



The City of Lancaster Cordially Invites You... To celebrate the opening of the new Lancaster Veterans Memorial Library

> Sunday, May 6, 2001 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

R.S.V.P. 972-227-0397 1600 Veterans Memorial Parkway Lancaster, TX 75134

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#### The 1930 Census – What to Expect by William Dollarhide

The National Archives has announced that the 1930 census will be opened to the public on April 1, 2002. The opening will take the form of releasing copies of the 1930 census schedules on microfilm for public viewing at the main branch of the National Archives in Washington, D.C., and in 13 regional branches located in major cities across the country.

Included will be the 1930 population schedules on 2,668 rolls of 35 mm microfilm for all states, territories and possessions of the U.S.

#### **1930 Population Schedules on Microfilm**

State	<u>No.</u> Rolls	Population
Alabama	54	2,646,248
Alaska Territory	3	59,278
Arizona	9	435,573
Arkansas	36	1,854,482
California	129	5,677,251
Colorado	24	1,035,791
Connecticut	33	1,606,903
Delaware	6	238,380
District of Columbia	14	486,869
Florida	30	1,468,211
Georgia	59	2,908,506
Hawaii Territory	7	368,300
Idaho	10	445,032
Illinois	169	7,630,654
Indiana	66	3,238,503
Iowa	52	2,470,939
Kansas	39	1,880,999
Kentucky	51	2,614,589
Louisiana	45	2,101,593
Maine	16	797,423
Maryland	40	1,631,526
Massachusetts	89	4,249,614
Michigan	106	4,842,325
Minnesota	59	2,563,953
Mississippi	37	2,009,821
Missouri	78	3,629,367
Montana	13	537,606
Nebraska	31	1,377,963
Nevada	2	91,058
New Hampshire	10	465,293
New Jersey	84	4,041,334
New Mexico	9	423,317
New York	270	12,588,066
North Carolina	60	3,170,276
North Dakota	15	680,845
Ohio	146	6,646,697
Oklahoma	47	2,396,040
Oregon	20	953,786
Pennsylvania	209	9,631,350

State	<u>No.</u> Rolls	Population
Rhode Island	18	687,497
South Carolina	31	1,738,765
South Dakota	16	692,849
Tennessee	54	2,616,556
Texas	127	5,824,715
Utah	12	507,847
Vermont	7	359,611
Virginia	51	2,421,851
Washington	42	1,563,396
West Virginia	34	1,729,205
Wisconsin	61	2,939,006
Wyoming	5	225,565

#### Content of the 1930 Census Schedules

The 1930 population census schedule form has 32 columns within 12 main categories.

#### Place of Abode:

1) A street number, avenue or road

2) A house number in cities and towns

3) The number of dwelling house in order of visitation

4) The number of the family in order of visitation

Name:

5) Listing the surname, first name and middle initial of each person in a household as of April 1, 1930 *Relation:* 

6) Listing the relationship of each person to the head of house (indicated with "H")

Home Data (for head of household only):

7) Whether the home was owned or rented (O or R)

8) The value of the home or monthly rental (for non-farm families only)

9) Whether the home had a radio set (R)

10) Whether the family lived on a farm

Personal Description:

11) The person's sex (M or F)

12) Color or race, coded to indicate White (W), Negro (Neg), Mexican (Mex), Indian (In), Chinese (Ch), Japanese (Jp), Filipino (Fil), Hindu (Hin), or Korean (Kor), or any other races spelled out in full

13) Age of each person at last birthday

14) Marital status (S, M, Wd, or D)

15) If married, the person's age at first marriage *Education*:

16) Listing whether the person attended school or college any time since September 1, 1929

17) For all persons 10 years of age or older, whether able to read and write

Place of birth (without abbreviating):

18) The place of birth of each person enumerated

19) Place of birth of the person's father

20) Place of birth of the person's mother; and for columns 18, 19, and 20, distinguishing Canada-French from Canada-

English, and Irish Free State from Northern Ireland

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Mother Tongue (or Native Language) of Foreign Birth (for foreign born persons):

21) The language spoken in the person's home before coming to the United States (without abbreviating); and codes in column 21A) to indicate the state or mother tongue 21B) country, and 21C) nativity

Citizenship, Etc.:

22) The person's year of immigration to the U.S.

23) Indicating whether naturalized (Na), alien (Al) or first papers filed (Pa)

24) Whether able to speak English

Occupation and Industry:

25) The person's occupation, trade, profession, or particular kind of work, as spinner, salesman, riveter, teacher, etc.)

26) Industry or business, as cotton mill, dry goods store, shipyard, public school, etc.

27) Class of work, indicating whether an employer (E), wage or salary worker (W), working on own account (O), or an unpaid worker as a member of the family (NP) *Employment:* 

28) Whether the person was actually at work March 31, 1930

29) If not at work, the line number on the unemployment schedule

#### Veterans:

30) For all persons 21 years of age and over, whether the person was a veteran of U.S. military or naval forces (Yes or No)

31) Codes to indicate a war in which the person served: World War (WW), Spanish-American War (Sp), Civil War (Civ), Philippine Insurrection (Phil), Boxer Rebellion (Box), or Mexican Expedition (Mex)

32) If the person lived on a farm, the number on the farm schedule.

#### 1930 Soundex Index (partial)

In addition to the population schedules, a Soundex index exists for the following states:

- Alabama
- Arkansas
- Florida
- Georgia
- Louisiana
- Mississippi
- North Carolina
- South Carolina
- Tennessee
- Virginia

A partial state index exists for these Kentucky counties: Bell, Floyd, Harlan, Kenton, Muhlenberg, Perry, and Pike; and these West Virginia counties: Fayette, Harrison, Kanawha, Logan, McDowell, Mercer and Raleigh.

Many thanks to Bill Dollarhide for his kindness in allowing us to reprint his article from his Heritage Quest column – and for the time and effort he put into writing it!

### General Meeting 23 April 2001

### Shari Degan "Researching in Law Enforcement Records"

In April DGS will be happy to hear our own Shari Degan. As a genealogist for several years, she has developed a special interest in Irish Genealogy. Shari is a past editor of the DGS Journal and was thrust suddenly into the Presidency of DGS when the President moved on short notice. A career police officer. Shari is familiar to us all as she proudly wears her uniform, usually coming straight from work to DGS functions. She has been of great assistance to DGS even in that capacity as she served voluntarily for security to save the cost of a security guard for our Annual DGS Lock-In. During her seventeen years as a Dallas Police Officer, Shari was nominated for Rookie of the Year in 1985 and Officer of the Year in 1997. She was the first female officer to ever win this award in the Dallas Police Department's history! Shari's topic for April will be "Researching in Law Enforcement Records," a topic we seldom hear addressed, and on which she is well qualified to speak. She will bring special insights into the types, usage of, and access to these records. We are bound to learn much from her introduction and discussion of these underutilized records.

#### **Genealogist's Prayer**

Lord, help me dig into the past, And sift the sands of time, That I might find the roots that made This family tree of mine.

Lord, help me trace the ancient roads, On which my fathers trod, And led them through so many lands, To find our present sod.

Lord, help me find an ancient book, Or dusty manuscript, That's safely hidden now away, In some forgotten crypt.

Lord, let it bridge the gap that haunts My soul, when I can't find The missing link between some name That ends the same as mine.

-Author Unknown

With thanks to the NFLD-LAB-L@rootsweb.com list.

#### Dallas Genealogical Society 2000 - 2001 Balance Sheet As of February 28, 2001

#### ASSETS

**Current Assets Checking/Savings** 39,606.85 **Bank America Guaranty Fed Bank** CD - (734) Perm. Reserve 25,269.66 CD - (427) Renee Jackson Smith 1.008.18 CD - (718) Renovation 10,151.36 **Total Guaranty Fed Bank** 36.429.20 **Beal Bank CD**-Endowment 9.253.54 **CD** - Life Memberships 17,370.41 **Total Beal Bank** 26,623.95 Petty Cash 100.00 **Total Checking/Savings** 102,760.00 **Total Current Assets** 102,760.00 **Other Assets** Equipment 6,456.17 **Total Other Assets** 6,456.17 TOTAL ASSETS 109,216.17 **LIABILITIES & EQUITY** Liabilities **Current Liabilities Other Current Liabilities Cash Transfers** 1,000.00 Funds **Endowment Fund** 9.253.54 17,370.41 Life Membership Fund **Total Funds** 26,623.95 27,623.95 **Total Other Current Liabilities Total Current Liabilities** 27,623.95 **Total Liabilities** 27,623.95 Equity **Retained Earnings** 40.291.03 Net Income 41.301.19 **Total Equity** 81,592.22 **TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** 109,216.17 DGS 2000/2001 Profit & Loss YTD Jun '00 - Feb '01 Ordinary Income/Expense Income Sales (Publ Charts) 6,665.53 Membership/Dues 13,320.00 Miscellaneous Hospitality 137.34 **Total Miscellaneous** 137.34

	56,199.00
Miscellaneous Income	2.93
Total Income	76,324.80
Expense	
Operating Expense	
Sales Expense	2,643.59
Computer Int. Group	333.35
Storage Rental	442.30
Donations	100.00
AAIG Meetings	3.89
AAIG Postage	9.90
AAIG Printing	53.00
AAIG Speaker Fees	125.00
Database	224.78
Mailing/Bulk	3,125.00
President	596.99
Publicity	190.00
Secretary	71.26
Society Operation	
Treasurer	2,638.96 349.61
Volunteer Coordinator	163.15
VP Education	59.90
Awards Ceremony	1,290.57
VP Journal	4,447.20
VP Membership	113.00
VP Newsletter	3,540.20
Hospitality	558.15
Total Oper Exp	21,079.80
Events Expense	
DGS Institute	8,620.16
Fall Conference	7,191.59
Lectures	
Tony Burroughs	650.00
1st Sept 30 2000	1,020.83
2nd Mar 10 2001	668.28
3rd Apr 28 2001	325.84
Total Lectures	2,664.95
Salt Lake/FHL Seminar	569.55
Salt Lake Trip	966.08
Library Lock-in	2.93
Total Events Expense	20,015,26
Total Expense	41,095.06
Net Ordinary Income	35,229.74
Other Income/Expense	55,227.14
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Beal CD Interest	
Endowment Fund	1,107.00
Total Beal CD Interest	1,107.00
Contributions Received	3,349.90
FHLL Income	
	3,288.75
Grants Received	25,000.00
Reward Card	1,223.60
Interest Income	429.20
Total Other Income	34,398.45
Other Expense	
Donations to DPL	25,554.00
FHLL Expense	2,773.00
Total Other Expense	28,327.00
	6,071.45
Net Other Income Net Income	41,301.19

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# **New Acquisitions in DPL's Genealogy Section**

by Lloyd DeWitt Bockstruck, F.N.G.S

Donations have been received for the following: \$100 from the Dallas Genealogical Society in memory of DGS Past President Helen S. Stinson, \$50 from Adrienne Jamieson in memory of Helen Stinson; \$100 from Dr. Myers Thornton, \$50 from Lloyd Bockstruck in memory of Helen Stinson, \$50 from Lloyd Bockstruck in honor of Barbara Dossett, \$50 from Lloyd Bockstruck in honor of Cheryl Mann, \$50 from Lloyd Bockstruck in honor of Chris Richins, \$50 from Lloyd Bockstruck in honor of Sheila Stow, \$50 in honor of Shari Degan from Lloyd Bockstruck, \$50 in honor of Barbara Ware from Lloyd Bockstruck, \$50 in honor of Barbara Brown from Lloyd Bockstruck, \$50 in honor of Betty Jean Steinke from Lloyd Bockstruck, \$50 in honor of Monette Grant from Lloyd Bockstruck, \$60 anonymous, \$50 in memory of Patrick McKenna from Barbara Dossett, \$150 from the Oak Cliff Woman's Club in honor of Lloyd Bockstruck, \$25 from Heloise Ridgeway in honor of Llovd Bockstruck, \$25 from Jeanette Bland in memory of Patrick McKenna, \$20 from David A. Navorska in memory of Ruth (Alwood) Hollinger, \$25 in memory of Patrick McKenna from Frances Purnell, \$30 in memory of Patrick McKenna from Margaret Hudson, \$204 in memory of Patrick McKenna from DGS members, \$50 from the Tri Delta Mothers Club in honor of Lloyd Bockstruck, \$30 in memory of Patrick McKenna from Jemmy Kay Phipps, \$25 from the Daughters of the Veterans of the Civil War in memory of Patrick McKenna, \$25 from the Duncanville Genealogical Society in memory of Patrick McKenna, \$100 from Sam Whitten, \$25 from the General Levi Casey Chapter, NSDAR, in honor of John Waterfield, \$25 from Helen E. Coleman in memory of Patrick McKenna, and \$250 from the Mary K. Craig Class in honor of Lloyd deWitt Bockstruck.

The following titles have been added to the collection. Those with an asterisk indicate sources of major significance.

#### **United States**

Finding Your African American Ancestors Memoirs of a Lincoln Conspirator Why America is Free

- \*Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, v. VII: North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia
- \*Hidden Sources: Family History in Unlikely Places

#### <u>Alabama</u>

The Heritage of Cherokee County, Alabama The Heritage of Chilton County, Alabama

#### <u>Arkansas</u>

Jefferson County Historical Quarterly, vol. VI, no. 2 & v. VII, no. 1.

#### **Colorado**

The Homestead Years: Otero County, Colorado.

#### Florida

\*Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served in the Florida Infantry during the War with Spain. Microfilm, 13 rolls.

#### **Georgia**

History of Athens & Clarke County, Georgia.

#### Illinois

Massac County, Illinois Coroner's Reports Volume One (Book A 1869-1914).

#### Indiana

Violett Cemetery, Goshen, Elkhart County, Indiana.

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#### Kentucky

Deed Book B Russell County Court, Kentucky 1828-1835. 2 vols.

Russell County, Kentucky Vital Records, Book I.

\*Confederate Pensioners of Kentucky: Pension Applications of the Veterans & Widows 1912-1946.

#### Louisiana

Iberville Parish Records, v. III.

#### Massachusetts

Cemetery Inscriptions of Hubbardston, Massachusetts.

#### Missouri

St. Joseph, Missouri Death Notces from the Catholic Tribune 1889-1894, 1895-1899.

Cemeteries of St. Francois County, Missouri, v. III. Monroe Cemetery in Livingston County, Missouri.

#### New Mexico

Guide to the "Lost" Records of the Mission of Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe de Zuni, 1775-1858.

#### North Carolina

Warren County, North Carolina Minutes to the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, v. I 1780-1786.

Ashe County, North Carolina Divorces 1822-1912.

#### <u>Ohio</u>

Richland County, Ohio Original Land Purchasers Including School Lands.

#### **Oklahoma**

Pushmataha District 1885 Choctaw Census Jack Forks County.

#### Pennsylvania

Peach Bottom and Fawn Townships York County, Pennsylvania: Original Pennsylvania Land Records, v. X.

Indian Wars of Pennsylvania.

Federal Population Census Schedules in the Custody of the Pennsylvania State Library, 1850-80. Microfilm, M597, rolls 4, 7, & 16.

- 1900 Pennsylvania Soundex, R-000, J. Adam--R-100, Hervin U. 1 roll.
- 1910 Pennsylvania Miracode, A-416, William--A-432, Kelso. 1 roll.
- 1920 Pennsylvania Soundex, A-425, John--A-436, E. Wenger. 1 roll.

#### South Carolina

\*The Early South Carolina Newspapers ESCN Database Reports: A Quick Reference Guide to Local News and Advertisements Found in Early South Carolina Newspapers. 1732, 1733, 1734, 1735, 1736, 1737, 1738, 1739, 1740, 1741, 1742, 1743, 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747, 1748, 1749, 1750, 1751, 1752, 1753, 1754, 1755, 1756, 1757, 1758, 1759, 1760, 1761, 1762, 1763, 1764, 1765, & 1766, 33 vols.

#### Texas

Czechs in Grey and Blue Too!

Old Bohemian Tombstones, v. IV.

Wixon Community, Brazos County, Texas: The People, the School, the Church, the Cemetery.

Chandler Its History and People.

#### Virginia

Buchanan County Times Past, 1998-99.

Obituary Index Taken from Tazewell, Virginia Publications 1997-1997.

#### West Virginia

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www.glo.state.tx.us/archives/adopt\_mapintro.html

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Newsletter		Work at special events	1	Present workshops		Other	Thanks

# **DGS CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

#### <u>April</u>

10 Board Meeting

- 12 (Thurs., 6:30 pm) CIG Meeting Minnie Pitts Champ "Publishing? Don't Procrastinate Any Longer"
- 17 (Tue., 6:30 pm ) AAGIG Meeting Lloyd Bockstruck
- 21-22 100 Year Library Anniversary
- 23 (Mon.) General Meeting Shari Degan Social Hour 6:30 pm Meeting 7 pm
- 28 (Sat.) Lecture Series Pat Hatcher/Paula Parke Harvey Hotel, LBJ/Coit

#### May

8 Board Meeting

- 10 (Thurs., 6:30 pm) CIG Meeting James Bryan "Beau" Sharbrough "Genealogy – Thinking Outside the Box"
- 20 (Sunday) AAGIG Fund Raiser Tour of Black Dallas
- 28 (Mon.) General Meeting Social Hour 6:30 pm Meeting 7 pm

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