Dallas Genealogical Society



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November 16 - African American,
2pm
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23 - Brown Bag,
10:30am; Chapter 2,
"Concepts
Fundamental to the
GPS" from Mastering

Registration Now Open

2013 Annual Awards December 14



Society to Honor Deserving Individuals and Groups

Each year the Society presents several awards that recognize and honor members and individuals or organizations within our community who contribute to the Society specifically or to genealogical, historical, or preservation activities in general.

The Awards Luncheon is free to current members, but **reservations are required**. Members may bring guest(s) at a cost of \$15.00 each.

Register <u>online</u> with a credit card by Dec 8th using your DGS Account

Genealogical Proof, by Dr. Thomas W. Jones.

December-05 - <u>Technology</u>, 6pm; "Understanding & Using Metadata". 07 - <u>MacGen Reunion</u>,

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Membership

Ind. Membership -\$35 Household - \$40 Life (under 65) -\$700 Life (65+) - \$500 Organizational -\$35

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Hold the Dates

04 Jan 2014 General Meeting
01 Feb - General
Meeting
22 Mar - Spring
Lecture
featuring Laura
Prescott
TBD - Summer
Institute

27 Sep - Fall

Lecture

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or

Mail a reservation (**postmarked by Dec 6**) to DGS, P. O. Box 12446, Dallas, Texas 75225-0446. You may print a reservation form from our web site. Please include check or money order for guests.

Awards are presented in the following categories:

Award of Merit - a DGS member who has consistently contributed time, talent, expertise, and abilities to the Society over a period of years.

Heritage Preservation Award - an individual, group, or organization in recognition of contributions to preserve, conserve, house, or collect family history.

Lloyd Bockstruck Distinguished Service Award - an individual for outstanding contributions to the genealogical community on a national level.

Volunteer of the Year - a member who has generously volunteered time, expertise, talents, and abilities to the Society during the previous year to the extent to make that member stand out and draw attention.

In addition, there will be surprise honorees in a special category!

<u>Past recipients</u>. Click on the name of each award for a list of past honorees.

FamilySearch Free Lookup

DGS FamilySearch Wiki

DGS sponsored Family Search Wiki for Dallas, Dallas, Texas

DGS Web Site

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The goal of the **Dallas** Genealogical Society shall be to educate, by creating. fostering, and maintaining interest in genealogy; to assist and support the genealogy section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library in Dallas, Texas, or to its legal successor; and to collect, preserve, copy, and index information relating to Dallas County and its early history.

and Copy Service



From <u>Dick Eastman</u>-"...if you can specify a book and page number, or a specific image on a reel of microfilm, the personnel at the Family History Library will gladly look at that page or image and (in most cases) scan the entire page and email it to you for free."

From the FS web site..."All requests for information copied from films, book pages, CDs, marriage, death or birth certificates, wills and/or deeds, etc. will be copied in digital format and emailed to patrons in a zipped PDF or JPG file format. There is no charge for this service if they are able to email the information to patrons."

Details

FS has <u>step-by-step instructions</u> in a blog post.

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Disaster Preparedness for Genealogists





The National Genealogical Society recently posted about this topic on its blog "UpFront with NGS". Lisa Louise Cook has wriiten 4 articles: Assess Your Assets, Duplicate the Past, Protect Precious Originals, and Share & Update Files. There are also links to resources from the Library of Congress, the National Archives and other sites.

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Google is Mapping Arlington
National Cemetery



Google will post a walk-through of Arlington National Cemetery using very high resolution photography. The site is scheduled to be live in May of 2014, in time for the 150th Anniversary of the Cemetery.

Article in 20 Oct 2013 issue of The Washington Post

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DGS Newsletter

October-December 2013 Issue



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The Society received a total of \$274 for NGS's Preserve the Pensions War of 1812 project at our 2013 Fall Lecture: \$261 from our Trash-to-Treasure event and \$13 in the donation jar on the Sales Table.

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Searching the SSDI in One Step



The Social Security Death Index is an index to the Death Master File (DMF) maintained by the Social Security Administration. While it is available on a number of web sites, including Ancestry and FamilySearch, each site works with it's own search engine.

Steve Morse has developed a web site called "One-Step Portal" on which he provides improved search mechanisms which allows one to search across the various versions of the SSDI in "One Step".

One-Step SSDI

<u>Article</u> in Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter

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3 D/FW Historical Newspapers

The Ballas Morning News
Star-Telegram
Fort Worth Morning Register

are searchable through the "Dallas Morning News Archive" database on the Dallas Public Library website.

Dallas Morning News, 01 Oct 1885 - 31 Dec 1984 FW Star-Telegram, 02 Jul 1902 - 30 Aug 1958
FW Morning Register, 01 Jan 1897 - 30
Jun 1902 (incomplete run)

A DPL library card is required to use the <u>Databases</u> section of their web site.

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Other Genealogical Events

5-12 Jan 2014 - <u>SLC Research</u> <u>Trip</u>. National Genealogical Society. Salt Lake City, UT.



6-8 Feb 2014 - RootsTech 2014. Salt Lake City, UT. Registration is now open.



24-29 Mar 2014 - <u>Forensic Genealogy</u> Institute. Dallas, TX.



29 March 2014 - <u>San Angelo</u> <u>Genealogical and Historical Society</u> <u>Spring Workshop</u>. San Angelo, TX. Featured speaker - J. Mark Lowe.



7-10 May 2014 - 2014 Family History Conference, Virginia: the First Frontier. National Genealogical Society. Richmond, VA. Registration begins 1 Dec.



27-30 Aug 2014 - <u>2014 Conference</u>, "Gone to Texas". Federation of Genealogical Societies. San Antonio, TX. Hotel reservations now open.



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