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DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
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eNews - March 2022

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Join Us for the March 5th General Meeting

Dr. Steven Butler will present "Miles Away from Butler: How a DNA Test Rewrote My Family's History."

Dr. Butler will tell the story of how a DNA test led to the discovery of a ninety-one-year-old family secret.

Dr. Butler faced a crisis of conscience: Should he tell the person who lay at the heart of the secret or remain silent for fear of potentially doing more harm than good?



[Join the meeting](#) at 10:30 am CDT.

Register Now for our Spring DNA Seminar with Diahan Southard



We are very excited for our upcoming seminar with Diahan Southard, the founder of the Your DNA Guide website, on April 23, 2022.

Diahan is a recognized author and speaker on genetic genealogy. DGS is looking forward to hearing her expertise in four separate sessions as part of the seminar. Read more about Diahan and the seminar details [here](#).

Join fellow genealogists for a day filled with tips, tricks, and information for doing your DNA research. [Register now!](#)

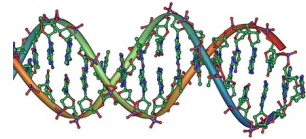
How I Found My Father's Name using DNA Results

By Linda Chapman

With perfect timing for our upcoming seminar, Linda shares her heart-warming story of finding her father's name, after many years of wondering.

[Read more.](#)

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Tell Us About Your Troublemakin' Ancestor! Enter the DGS Writing Contest for 2022

Do you have a pirate or an outlaw in your family? A “gal who done him wrong”? A bootlegger, bank robber, or all-around loser? Then you have a black sheep. For the DGS 2022 Writing Contest, we’re asking you to trot out your troublemaker and tell all. Worthy articles will be selected for publishing in the DGS eNews during 2022. At the end of the year, we will pick a winner. The prize is a free 1-year membership to DGS for 2023!

[Get the details!](#)

Black Sheep



2022 DGS
Writing Contest

Writing Contest Entry: My Dad was a Veteran and...a Deserter!

By Tony Hanson



Read all about the adventures of Arnold W. Hanson, Tony's father. His story reminds us that good genealogical research uncovers both the good and bad facets of people's lives.

[Learn more.](#)

Results from the February Quiz - Longest Marriage in the Family

In each issue of the 2022 eNews, we will be including a fun quiz with a different genealogy-related question each time. In February, we asked readers about the longest marriage in their family tree.

The response for the longest marriage was 78 years!

Another reader told us that she and her husband are the third generation in their family married for more than 50 years! And one of our favorite comments from another reader: "Their marriage lasted 72 years..and they still loved each other at the end!"



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March Quiz - Do You Have Irish Heritage?



In honor of St. Patrick's Day, the March Quiz asks about the whether you have any Irish heritage in your family tree. A summary of results will be available in the following month's newsletter. We'd love to see your response - it's multiple choice, and it will take just a few minutes to participate.

[Take the Quiz!](#)

Irish Heritage Lectures in March

If you do have Irish heritage, there are a lot of events taking place in March around the country that might be of interest. The San Diego Genealogical Society is hosting David Rencher of FamilySearch, talking about Irish records on [March 12th](#); the Midwest Genealogy Center hosts a program about Irish research in the Colonial period on [March 16th](#); and you can find many more at a genealogy event website called [ConferenceKeeper](#).



Out of the Attic...and into the e-News!

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Veteran members of DGS will remember a time when transcriptions of family records – bible pages, newspaper articles, obituaries, funeral programs, commencement programs, and so on – 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 e-mail 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.

Check out what we found this month - [a report card from 1887!](#)

Dallas Historical Society Turns 100

Genealogy buffs would have a lot less fun if it weren't for the hard work of historians and historical societies everywhere collecting many valuable pieces of our past.

The long-standing relationship between DGS and the Dallas Historical Society certainly confirms that. Join us in celebrating their 100th year!



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[Read more.](#)

Revised Bylaws for DGS - Vote to be Held March 5th

The bylaws for DGS have been revised following member feedback from sessions held in January.

We will vote on these bylaws at the General Meeting held March 5th. Please take a moment to [review them](#) before the meeting!

Family History Fair - Upcoming Volunteer Opportunity



DGS President Jim Thornhill has all the information about this year's Lineage Fair in Fort Worth.

The event was a great success, and we are actively recruiting for volunteers to work the DGS booth for an upcoming fair.

[Read more.](#)

DGS Board of Director Nominations - Join Us!

The Dallas Genealogical Society will soon begin assembling the 2022 – 2023 Board of Directors. A nominating committee has been formed and they will present a slate for the elected positions at the April meeting. Nominees will be elected at the May meeting.

They will fill the appointed positions over the summer and assume office in September. Your input is needed! If you know of someone who would be a good candidate for any board position, please let the nominating committee know! Serving on the board is challenging and rewarding! Why not consider nominating yourself?



[Use this nomination form.](#)

Seeking Annual Award Nominations - Act Now!

By Tony Hanson

Do you enjoy our monthly meetings? Like our eNews? Use our website? Participate in one of our Interest Groups? Attend our Seminars? Take a quick look at our annual budget and notice that there is no line item for salaries.



Annual Awards

All the things that make our society great happen through the efforts of volunteers who donate their time, effort and knowledge. We will be recognizing the best of the best at this year's Awards ceremony in May. Please take a few minutes to nominate the person (or people) that deserve recognition for their contributions to our society!

[Nominate today!](#)

Welcome/Welcome Back to New and Renewing Members!

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Welcome to L.L. Bean, W.M. Haun, R.D. Massey, P.L. Matthews, K.E. McCullough, S. McMurry, and B. Watts.

Save the Date for our April General Meeting

Join us for a short business meeting followed by Dr. Deborah Liles presenting "Finding your People in Antebellum Dallas County."

Dr. Liles will discuss the six different schedules of the census in antebellum Texas, property tax records, deeds, probate records, Bills of sale, and more!



Dr. Liles is the Assistant Professor and W. K. Gordon Chair of Texas History Department of History, Sociology, and Geography/GIS at Tarleton State University.

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Upcoming Events

Feb 26th

[Van Zandt Genealogical Society](#)

Bernard Meisner - Preparing for the 1950 Census

March 3rd -5th

[RootsTech](#)

March 5th

[DGS General Meeting](#)

Dr. Steven Butler

March 10th

[Mesquite Historical and Genealogical Society](#)

Pat Gordon - What were the WPA and CCC?

March 19th

[Arlington Family History Seminar](#)

April 1

1950 census is released!

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