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eNews - April 2022

Event Schedules: General Meetings | Special Interest Groups | Seminars | Other Groups

Join Us for the April 2nd 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.



Join the meeting at 10:30 am Central time.

Last Chance for Early Bird Pricing: 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.

Last day for early bird pricing is April 3rd!!

Join fellow genealogists for a day filled with tips, tricks, and information for doing your DNA research.

Register now!

RootsTech Review - What Did You Learn?

By Suzan Younger

RootsTech 2022 is now behind us, but the classes are available for a year! How do you figure out which of the 1,500 offerings are right for you? Suzan Younger guides us



through how to investigate which classes might be a good fit for your own genealogical education.

Learn more.

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!



Writing Contest Entry: Murder in the Genes?



By Steven Erickson

Our entry this month comes from DGS member Steven Erickson. Steven and his wife, Patti, live in Dallas and have a fascinating story to share, extending across multiple generations.

Read more.

Results from the March Quiz - Irish Roots

In each issue of the 2022 eNews, we will be including a fun quiz with a genealogy-related question. In March, we asked readers about their Irish roots.

Editor's note: The quiz was set so you could only select one region of Ireland, even if you had ancestors in more than one, like I do - my apologies. This will be corrected for future quizzes requiring multiple responses.



One of our readers responded that they had an Irish ancestor going all the way back to 1685, which is quite a feat in Irish research!

April Quiz - DNA tests



In honor of National DNA day on 26th April, this month's quiz is about your use of DNA testing. We look forward to your responses.

Take the Quiz!

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

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 flea market find filled with family photos!

Alternative Sources for Expanding Your African American Genealogy Research

By Shreeya Madhavanur

Locating African-American ancestors is very challenging. This article from the team at Remembering Black Dallas, Inc. has some helpful suggestions to expand your search.



Read more.

ICYMI - Not everyone who emigrated from Ireland was Irish



Another classic reprint from Lloyd Bockstruck, reminding us that not everyone who came from Ireland was Irish.

Read more.

Have you seen these members?

In a recent update to our membership lists, DGS noticed that some of our Life Members' contact info isn't working. Do you know how to reach any of these members?

Karen M. Brown · Bill Jaynes Chandler · Patsey Johnson Crawford · Cathy Dempsey · Gayle M. Earls · Genevieve Harris · Beverly J. Holmes · Francis Lindell · Tulia Ann Logsden · Bob McCombs · Barbara Martin · Patricia Norton · T. Franklin Schneider · Robert S. Sloan



If you do know where to find them, please send an e-mail to Tony Hanson at itadmin@dallasgenealogy.org.

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Grandmother, the Census, and 'Mr.' Fannie Green

By Patti Huff Smith

In a tribute to her grandmother, DGS Education Director Patti Huff Smith explains the variety of research tools that genealogists need to use to get the job done.

Read more.



Betty Ross Crook, image credit: Patti Huff Smith

Breaking News...New York City Vital records now online!

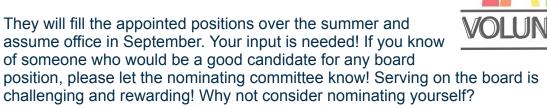


After many years of digitization processing, the largest collection of New York City births, marriages and deaths is now available online for free.

Check it out!

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.



Use this nomination form.

Join or Renew Membership - be eligible to win a free seminar!



By Tony Hanson

There are a lot of good reasons to support the Dallas Genealogical Society, but we just added a few more.

Thanks to the generous financial support of Shirley Sloat, any DGS member will receive a substantial discount when

registering for our Summer Seminar ("Gone to Texas: Finding Ancestors in Land and Probate", with Kelvin Meyers).

In addition, anybody who joins or renews a membership between April 2 and May 6, 2022, will be entered into a drawing for a free registration to our Fall Seminar ("Leaping the Pond: Online Research in Great Britain", featuring Paul Milner). The drawing will be held at the May 7th meeting. You do not need to be present to win.

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!

DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Welcome to R.L. Farr, C.K. Ford, A.E. Halbrook and M. Newsome!

About the Dallas Genealogical Society

- Society Leaders
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Upcoming Events

April 1

1950 census is released!

April 9

<u>VanZandt Genealogical Society Workshop</u> with Jim Thornhill

April 14

Mesquite Historical and Genealogical Society Meeting Sara Cochran

May 7th
DGS Annual Awards

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