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## eNews - September 2022

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### Please Join Us at the September General Meeting - September 10th

Due to the Labor Day holiday weekend, our general meeting will be held one week later, on Saturday, September 10th, at 11:00 am.

We are especially excited about this one because it's the first meeting where we will be able to meet in person at the library since the pandemic began. Read Jim Thornhill's message about all the activities [here](#), including free lunch for in-person attendees, with advance registration. [Sign up now!](#)



We will also continue to provide a Zoom option!

Our live-streamed speaker will be David Rencher, Chief Genealogical Officer of FamilySearch.

Join the meeting [here](#).

### Register Now for our Fall Seminar with Paul Milner on October 22nd



DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY FALL 2022 SEMINAR

 

**LEAPING THE POND:**  
*Online Research in Great Britain*

with Paul Milner

 

**OCTOBER 22**

ATTEND IN-PERSON OR LIVE-STREAM • REGISTER AT [dallasgenealogy.com](http://dallasgenealogy.com)

By Suzan Younger

We can't all travel to the British Isles to research our family, but there is an alternative. DGS is sponsoring a day of lectures featuring Paul Milner, a specialist in British Isles research. Learn how to effectively use British online research and add to your family tree travel-free. Paul will cover the significant British research websites, including fee-based and free access sites. [Learn more.](#)

Register Now

## How the DGS Summer Seminar Brought Us Back Together

By Suzan Younger

Kelvin Meyers taught us a lot about Texas, and DGS past president Suzan Younger recaps the event and some ways to apply that new knowledge.



More Info

## Writing Contest

Black Sheep



2022 DGS  
Writing Contest

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! Read more about the contest guidelines [here](#).

## Writing Contest Entry: What happened to Matthew Finneran?

DGS member and e-News editor Michelle Dwyer Cohen is the author of this month's contest entry. Her ancestor disappeared around 1879. Where did he go? What happened with his wife and children?

[Read more.](#)



## September Quiz, and July Quiz Results



Our July quiz asked readers if they had Revolutionary War ancestors, and how many. Overall responses were low - perhaps people without those ancestors opted not to take the quiz. A whopping 94% of those who responded said they had a Revolutionary War ancestor. Of those responding, 41% had between three and seven ancestors in the war, and another 29% had more than seven ancestors who served. Wow!

This month's quiz asks about the number of generations that you or your family have been in Texas. [Take the quiz!](#) Yes, even newcomers and out-

of-state readers can respond...

## Out of the Attic - A Special Map from London

Veteran members of the Society 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 more records in our monthly eNews. We need your help to accomplish this. Rummage around in your genealogical "attic" for unique family records. Then e-mail us a transcription, or send us a picture. Please include an introductory paragraph to explain what the record is and where you found it. We'll do the rest. Send your records to [newsletter@dallasgenealogy.org](mailto:newsletter@dallasgenealogy.org)

# Out of the Attic

This month, our unusual item is from DGS member and volunteer, JoAnn Kelly-Graham, whose mother was a volunteer in London during the Blitz. [Get the details!](#)

## Registration Open for TXSGS Live! November 4th & 5th



The Texas State Genealogical Society has another great lineup of speakers for their conference, scheduled for November 4th and 5th. Presentations will be recorded, and available from November 9th, 2022 through February 6, 2023. Check out the speakers and get more information [here](#).

## President's Annual Report

Members and friends of the Dallas Genealogical Society can find the report from Past President Suzan Younger, who served from 2019-2021, on our website [here](#), or by navigating to: [dallasgenealogy.org](http://dallasgenealogy.org)>Home>Society Leaders>President>2019-2021 Annual Report.



Thank you, Suzan, for all of your hard work on behalf of DGS!

## DGS Annual Budget Posted Before Vote



The DGS Board has voted to approve this year's budget, and members will be asked to vote on it during the general meeting on September 10th. Please take a moment to review it [here](#).

## DGS' German Genealogy Group is now a partner of the International German Genealogy Partnership

By Ann Broihier

We are proud to announce that the Dallas Genealogical Society's German Genealogy Group is now a partner of the International German Genealogy Partnership (IGGP). The benefits of being a partner can be found [here](#).



If you have attended at least one of our DGS German SIG meetings and we have your email address, you are considered on our membership list. If you have attended one of our meetings but did not provide your email address, please send it to [ggg@dallasgenealogy.org](mailto:ggg@dallasgenealogy.org).

## ICYMI: Learning About Mexican Park in Dallas



The Dallas County Chronicle, a publication of the Dallas County Historical Commission, published an article about the history of Mexican Park in the spring of 2021. We wanted to share it again, in honor of the start of Hispanic Heritage month, in mid-September.

[Read more.](#)

## Welcome, and Welcome Back, to New and Renewing DGS Members

Welcome and welcome back, to the following new and renewing members: M. Bailey, T. Ball, S. Blackmon, R.E. Blaha, K. Bradell, K. Cogdill, K. Cundiff, S.L. Dwyer, S.R. Feitshans, J.P. Fuller, M. Graves, R. Gruenwald, D. Marek, S.Y. Mendelson, R.L. Merritt, F. Moss, G.D. Patrick, J. C. Reynolds, M. Wells, and W. Wood.



## Save the Date for the October 1st General Meeting



Our next general meeting will be Saturday October 1st, at 11:00 am. Our speaker will be Cari Taplin, a certified genealogist, currently working for Ancestry ProGenealogists. She will be discussing research methodology, and ways to analyze evidence.

## About the Dallas Genealogical Society

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## Upcoming Events

[Van Zandt County Genealogical Society](#)  
Donna Toups, Wills Point FHC  
Aug 27th

Mesquite Historical and Genealogical Society Meeting

Sept 8th

DGS Fall Seminar

Oct 22nd

TXSGS Live!

Nov 4th and 5th

DFW Archives Bazaar

Fort Worth Stockyards

Nov 8th

German Genealogy Group, DGS

Archion.de Training at DPL

Nov 12th

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