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DALLAS GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
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## eNews - January 2023

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### Join Us January 7th for the First General Meeting of 2023

We are looking forward to welcoming in the New Year with our January speaker Patti Gillespie, genealogist and personal historian. Patti will present "Forgotten Treasures in the Texas Courthouse: Discovering the Miscellaneous Records". Patti has over thirty years of research experience, operates her own genealogy business, and is a graduate of UNT!

The meeting will open at 10:30 am for socializing, and the presentation will start at 11 am.

Join the meeting [here](#).



### Save the Date for the DGS Spring Seminar with Judy Russell - April 23rd



DGS is excited to welcome back Judy Russell for our Spring 2023 Seminar.

Known as The Legal Genealogist, Judy is a genealogist with a law degree from Rutgers School of Law-Newark.

She will cover how to locate relevant laws for your ancestors, and how to navigate Federal records. In addition, she will explain laws and records concerning slavery, and records likely to impact and include more information about female ancestors.

[More Info](#)

[Register Now](#)

### January Quiz: What are Your Genealogical Resolutions for 2023?

As we ring in the New Year, what are your genealogical plans? Are you traveling to an ancestral place of origin? Are you headed to a library or record repository that you have always dreamed about visiting? Let us know!

[Take The Quiz!](#)



## We Have A New Website!



The Dallas Genealogical Society is proud to announce the release of the latest version of our website.

After studying the existing site, released in 2015, the web team (Todd DeDecker, Tony Hanson and Susan Rainwater) spent the last year restructuring the look, layout, navigation and overall flow.

The result is a simplified visual gateway providing easier access to records and publications, facilitating the pursuit of the society's mission.

We appreciate the commitment, time, energy, creativity and passion offered for this massive undertaking by these very dedicated volunteers!

[Check it out!](#)

## Out of the Attic - Family History Finds

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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 have revived this practice, 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](mailto:newsletter@dallasgenealogy.org).

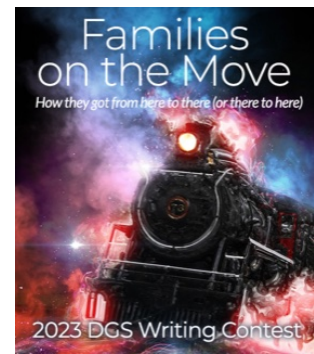
This month's item is from the 1840's!

[More Info](#)

## 2023 Writing Contest: Families on the Move

In 2023, we are asking for your family's migration stories - and that can include families moving across oceans, across countries, or even across town. Read all the rules and submission guidelines [here](#).

Our first entry this year comes from DGS Treasurer Susan Rainwater, and explains the [journey of Augustus Hartman](#), traveling from Germany to New York.



## Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Week



The City of Dallas will host its 41st annual celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a variety of events highlighting issues of equity, diversity, and opportunity.

There will be a wreath-laying ceremony at the MLK Center on January 10th where Dallas Mayor Johnson is expected to speak.

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## Where are the FamilySearch Affiliate Libraries in Texas?

If you are new to genealogy, [FamilySearch.org](https://www.familysearch.org) is a key resource that you need to start learning about right now.

Even if you are a more experienced researcher, you could be missing out on changes that occur on this dynamic site every day. [Check out Suzan's post](#) on the latest list of affiliate libraries - you might be surprised!



## Learn How to Use the Texas Historical Commission Atlas of Cemeteries

By Barbara Ware, PhD



DGS member and regular newsletter contributor Barbara Ware takes readers step-by-step through using the Texas Historical Sites Atlas.

[More Info](#)

## Updates to Dallas Public Library Hours - Prepare for Your Visit

Starting January 17, 2023, many of the Dallas Public Library locations will have a new schedule.

The Central Library and the Lloyd Bockstruck Genealogy Collection's hours will be:

- Tuesday: 9 - 5



- Wednesday: **9 - 7**
- Thursday: **9 - 7**
- Friday: **9 - 5**
- Saturday: **9 - 4**
- Sunday & Monday: **Closed**

Check the Dallas Public Library's website for your [local library branch's new hours](#).

## ICYMI: Lloyd Bockstruck Explained the Value of Gazetteers



This 1991 article by Lloyd Bockstruck discusses a great resource available for researchers at the Dallas Public Library, among other locations. It could come in handy as you work to locate your ancestors.

[Read more.](#)

## President's Annual Report is Now Available

The Dallas Genealogical Society's Annual President's Report is now available on our [website](#) for members to read and review!



## Welcome New DGS Members!

Welcome to K. Andy, R. Bachman, and E. Rhine.

We look forward to learning more about our new members and their research interests in the coming months!



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