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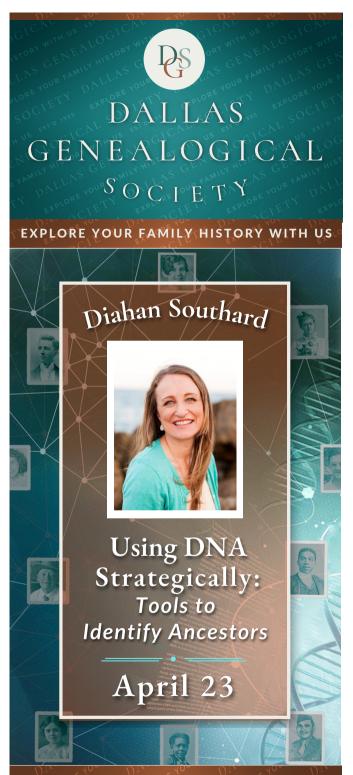(payable to Dallas Genealogical Society):

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Seminar Opening: 9:50 AM | Closing: 4:25 PM

Welcome! • *9:50 - 10:00*

Session 1 • *10:00 - 11:15* ~ Power of YDNA and Autosomal DNA: A Case Study This case study integrating YDNA and autosomal DNA testing can teach you how to navigate your DNA—and the possible clash between our expectations for DNA testing and the reality of our experience.

Break • *11:15 - 11:30*

Session 2 • *11:30 - 12:45* ~ Your DNA Match List: Overcome the Overwhelm by Organizing Them Organizing your DNA matches into genetic networks puts matches onto branches of your tree and prepares you to find missing ancestors. Learn how!

Lunch • *12:45 - 1:30*

Session 3 • *1:30 - 2:45* ~ No Tree? No Problem! One of the most frustrating things about genetic genealogy is recognizing that you have a good DNA match that might help you break down your brick wall. Then you realize they haven't posted any family tree information. Learn some best practices for identifying your best DNA matches, as well as super-sleuthing skills to help you track down the family tree for that all-important DNA match.

Break • *2:45 - 3:00*

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Session 4 • *3:00 - 4:15* ~ 3 Key Intermediate DNA Strategies While every person's situation is unique, these ABCs are more advanced key strategies you can use to help investigate your match list to identify a particular match, or break down a genealogy brick wall. The strategies include "Ask the Wife" (dividing genetic networks), "Bottoms Up" (working from the bottom of your match list), and "Cousin Categories" (determining which kinds of cousins might answer your question).

Closing • *4:15 - 4:25*

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- Session recordings will be available to registrants for two weeks after the seminar.

Your DNA Guide founder **Diahan Southard** has been working in the genetic genealogy industry since its infancy. Before and after earning a degree in microbiology from Brigham Young University, she worked for the Sorenson Molecular Genealogy Foundation, a prominent pioneer in creating a correlated genetic and genealogical database.

Growing up with the budding genetic genealogy industry led her to found *Your DNA Guide,* where she provides personalized, interactive experiences to help people "ask their DNA" about their family history. She lectures around the world and is known for her fun, upbeat energy and gift for making complex DNA concepts understandable.

Diahan is the author of *Your DNA Guide - The Book,* the ultimate step-by-step guide, do-it-yourself DNA manual, and several quick reference guides. She is a contributor or past contributor to *Family Tree Magazine, Genealogy Today, The Genealogy Guys Podcast,* and Lisa Louise Cooke's *Genealogy Gems Podcast.*

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