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September Program: "Ports of Entry" Speaker: Bob McCombs

Bob McCombs, President of the Denton County Genealogical Society will be the featured speaker at the September meeting of the Denton County Genealogical Society. In his program, "Ports of Entry," Bob will present a broad overview of pre-1783 immigration to the 13 original American colonies.

Newsletter by E-Mail

Members of the Denton County Genealogical Society who have email addresses will be receiving the monthly newsletter by email, in Adobe PDF* format. Members without an email address in the current roster will continue to receive the monthly newsletter through the U. S Postal Service. Please contact the secretary to update your email address and/or postal address, and to state a preference for how you will receive the monthly newsletter.

* Use the free Adobe Acrobat Reader to view .the .pdf file



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THE DENTON COUNTY
GENEALOGICAL
SOCIETY MEETS ON
THE SECOND THURSDAY
DURING THE
MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER AND
JANUARY - MAY.

7:00 P.M.
LDS CHURCH
3000 OLD NORTH RD.
DENTON, TEXAS



1896- Denton County Courthouse-1996

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to individuals, libraries or societies. Dues are \$10.00 for individuals and \$15.00 for couples. The membership year begins in June and expires the following May. Members will receive the monthly newsletter, except for the summer months.

Members may submit article of interest. Please cite sources. Queries, reunion notices and book reviews will be also be accepted.

"They Came to Texas" Migration Patterns Across America 2002-2003 Programs

September – Ports of Entry

October – Colonies to States
(Pennsylvania and Virginia)

November – New England
Colonies

January – The Carolinas

February – The Old Northwest
Territory

March – Bounty Lands in
Tennessee and Kentucky

April – Georgia, Alabama,
Mississippi

May – Social Meeting

Executive Committee Minutes

The Executive Committee of the Denton County Genealogical Society met July 8, 2002, at Bob McCombs office at 1013 North Elm Street. The meeting was called to order by Bob McCombs at 7:10 p.m. The other members of the executive committee in attendance were: Linda Touraine, Kathy Strauss, Diana White, Holly Hervey, and June Knox.

The committee selected a theme for the next two years, called, "They Came to Texas." Throughout the next two years, each monthly program will focus on migration patterns to Texas. The committee discussed tentative monthly programs, beginning with "Ports of Entry" for the September 2002 meeting. The committee also discussed having the May meeting at a restaurant as a social event.

The committee discussed possible speakers for the monthly meeting. Bob McCombs said he would contact Lloyd Bockstruck to ask if he would be interested in being a speaker for one meeting each year. It was suggested that we also contact the Speakers Bureaus for the Texas State Genealogical Society, the Dallas Genealogical Society, and the Fort Worth Genealogical Society for possible speakers.

In other business, the July 12, 2002 program for the Genealogy After Hours Program sponsored by the Denton County Genealogical Society and the Denton Public Library System. The speaker will be Barbara Rust, an archivist for the National Archives. She will speak about the records available at the National archives, the recently released 1930 census records, Indian records, and naturalization records. Bob McCombs volunteered to contact the Genealogical Society membership to remind them about the workshop. Diana White moved that the Society provide gas money for the speaker. Jean Knox seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Recycled Books has for sale a large number of genealogy books. Linda Touraine and Kathy Strauss will look at the books and choose \$400 worth of books to be donated to the Denton Public Library Genealogy Collection.

The committee discussed meeting locations for the upcoming year, exploring various options, including staying at the LDS Church or moving to another meeting place. Diana White moved that we contact First Christian Church on Fulton St. for a meeting place. Holly Hervey seconded the motion. The motion passed by acclamation.

Bob McCombs asked if someone would volunteer to work on the monthly newsletter. Kathy Strauss volunteered to write the newsletter.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Bob McCombs.
Respectfully submitted, Kathy Strauss, Secretary



Minutes

The May 9, 2002 meeting of the Denton County Genealogical Society began at 7:00 p.m. with a program presented by Vic Nielsen on the best use of notes as the basis for preparing a family history.

The Business Meeting began at 7:55 p.m. with a correction to the minutes of the April 11, 2002 meeting which failed to record that Linda Touraine had been appointed by President Diana White to audit the Treasurer's records before they are passed to the new Treasurer. With this correction, the minutes were approved as presented in the Newsletter.

The Treasurer's Report was approved with a motion from Bob McCombs and second by Holly Hervey.

There was no Library Report. Mary Tate and Mary La-Jean Sherrill both stated there was no change in their projects from previous reports.

In Old Business, Diana White reported the results of the questionnaire presented to the members at the April meeting regarding publication of the Birth Records. The majority of the members preferred that the book be printed in the same manner as the Will and Death Record books previously published by the Society. The questionnaire results also reflected the member's opinion that fewer books be printed. A few members stated that the book should be put on the Internet later, but most did not care. A suggestion was also made that a copy be placed on a CD-Rom for later use.

There was no New Business so the election of new officers was held. Holly Hervey read the proposed slate of officers as: Bob McCombs, President; Linda Touraine, Vice-President; Kathy Strauss, Secretary and Holly Hervey, Treasurer. President White called for nominations from the floor. There were none. Vic Nielsen made a motion to accept the nominees by acclamation. The second was made by Yvonne Mesler and the motion passed unanimously.

Linda Touraine asked for program suggestions for next year. Bob McCombs will call a meeting of the new officers in June, 2002.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Bob McCombs. Respectfully Submitted
Holly Hervey
Secretary



News From The Library

NEW TITLES ADDED TO THE GENEALOGY COLLECTION SINCE MAY 2002

[Titles with ** are titles purchased with DCGS funds]

CENSUS INDEXES:

Colorado – 1870	(G 978.8 COL)
Dakota Territory – 1870	(G 978.3 DAK)
Delaware – 1860	(G 975.1 DEL)
Delaware – 1870	(G 975.1 DEL)
District of Columbia	(G 975.3 DIS)
Florida – 1870	(G 975.9 FLO)
Montana – 1870	(G 978.6 MON)
Nevada – 1870	(G 979.3 NEV)
Oregon – 1860	(G 979.5 ORE)
Oregon – 1870	(G 979.5 ORE)
Washington – 1870	(G 979.7 WAS)

MARRIAGES:

Alabama Marriages, Early to 1825
(G 976.1 ALA)
District of Columbia Marriages, Early to 1825
(G 975.3 DIS)
Indiana Marriages, Early to 1825
(G 977.2 IND)
Iowa Marriages, Early to 1850
(G 977.7 IOW)
Virginia Marriages, Early to 1800
(G 975.5 VIR)

The BCG Genealogical Standards Manual, Millennium edition, by Board of Certification of Genealogists
(2000) G 929.1 BOA

Becoming an Accredited Genealogist, Plus 100 Tips to Ensure Your Success, by Karen Clifford (1998)
G 929.1 CLI

**Births, Deaths, and Marriages of the Nottingham Quakers, 1680-1889, compiled by Alice L. Beard.
G 974.8 BEA

Colonial Families of Surry and Isle of Wight Counties, Virginia, by John A. Brayton. G 975.554 BRA
v. 5: Isle of Wight County, Virginia, Deeds, Wills, Conveyances, Book A
v. 6: Isle of Wight County, Virginia Will and Deed Book (1662-1688), Abstracts of Deeds, 1715, pp. 1-52

The Dawes Commission and the Allotment of the Five Civi-

lized Tribes 1893-1914, by Kent Carter.
(1999) G 970.1 CAR

**Directory of Scottish Settlers in North America, volumes 1 – 6, by David Dobson. (1984-1993)
G 929.3 DOB

**Early Connecticut Marriages, as found on Ancient Church Records Prior to 1800, edited by Frederic W. Bailey. G 974.6 EAR

**English Estates of American Colonists: American Wills and Administrations in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1610-1699, by Peter W. Coldham.
(1980) G 973.2 COL

**English Estates of American Settlers: American Wills and Administrations in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1800-1858, by Peter W. Coldham.
(1981) G 973.5 COL

**First Settlers of South Carolina, 1670-1700, by Agnes L. Baldwin. (1985) G 975.7 BAL

** Genealogies of Connecticut Families; from the New England Historical and Genealogical Register,
3 volumes, edited by Gary Boyd Roberts. (1983)
G 974.6 GEN

**Genealogies of Rhode Island Families, from the New England Historical and Genealogical Register,
2 volumes, edited by Gary Boyd Roberts. (1989)
G 974.5 GEN

**Georgia Marriages, Early to 1800, edited by Jordan R. Dodd. (1990) G 975.8 GEO

**The Germans of Colonial Georgia, 1733-1783, by George F. Jones. (1986) G 975.8 JON

How to Research America Indian Blood Lines : a Manual on Indian Genealogical Research, by Cecelia S. Carpenter. (2000) G 970.1 CAR

**Irish Emigration Lists, 1833-1839, a List of Emigrants Extracted from the Ordnance Survey Memoirs for Counties Londonderry and Antrim, by Brian Mitchell. (1989) G 929.3415 MIT

**New York Marriages Previous to 1784. (1984) G 974.7 NEW

**The Old and New Monongahela, by John S. Van Voorhis. (1974) G 974.88 Van

**Pioneers and Resident of West Central Alabama, prior to the Civil War, by Madge Pettie. (1988)

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G 976.1 PET

** Sketches of Western North Carolina, Historical and Biographical, Illustrating Principally the Revolutionary Period of Mecklenburg, Rowan, Lincoln and Adjoining Counties, by C. L. Hunter. (1970) G 975.6 Hun

A Student's Guide to Native American Genealogy, by E. Barrie Kavasch. (1996) G 970.1 KAV

**Suffolk County Wills, Abstracts of the Earliest Wills Upon Record in the County of Suffolk, Massachusetts, edited by Judith McGhan. (1984) G 974.46 SUF

**Summer Soldiers: a Survey and Index of Revolutionary War Courts-Martial, by James C. Neagels. (1986) G 973.34 NEA

**Supplement to Torrey's New England Marriages Prior to 1700, by Melinda Lutz Sanborn (1991) G 974 SAN

Death Records Threatened

The following message was posted on the Roots-L message board on 1 Sep 2002 by Diane C. Russell.

"Over on the Archives and Archivists List, there has been a discussion in recent weeks about the federal Health Information Personal Privacy Act (HIPPA). Some commentators fear that HIPPA could require all states to close all medical and death records FOREVER, even old records from the 18th and 19th centuries that are currently open."

The following is a sample message from Paul Scott, Records Management Officer, Harris County, TX.

"Nearly three weeks ago there was a flurry a messages on HIPPA's implications for the archival community. Two days ago I attended an introductory seminar on HIPPA given by Harris County's Office of Risk Management. (The fact that a large, urban county considers HIPPA a risk to be managed should give us all pause.)

Before the meeting I submitted questions asking how HIPPA would affect access to long-open records such as Justice of the Peace Inquest Records, Medical Examiner Autopsies, welfare records (which often comment upon a subject's health), and court case files (that often include medical records proving debts and damages).

Tellingly, the presenter read my questions to the audience and announced that they would have to be referred to an outside attorney. She did

state at various points in her presentation that:

1. HIPPA explicitly gives corpses privacy rights.
2. HIPPA does apply to paper-based as well as electronic documents.
3. Neither the Act nor the regulations proposed under it have any expiration provision that would permit the release of Protected Health Information when it reaches a certain age.
4. When HIPPA goes into effect on April 14, 2003, it will apply retroactively.
5. HIPPA regulations closing records will trump state laws that specifically open the same records.
6. Violators can be fined and/or imprisoned for up to 10 years.
7. The only piece of good news is that there is an exemption for litigation that will probably keep civil and criminal case files open even if they do contain medical records.

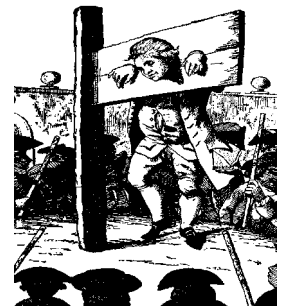
Since the Proposed Rules will not go in effect until April 14 and are still open for public comment it is not yet too late to request some commonsense changes and exemptions.

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