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October Program: “Immigration into and out of Virginia”

**Speaker:
Bob McCombs**

Bob McCombs, President of the Denton County Genealogical Society will be the featured speaker at the October meeting of the Denton County Genealogical Society. In his program, “Immigration into and out of Virginia,” Bob will continue the series on migration patterns across America, focusing on Virginia.



THE DENTON COUNTY
GENEALOGICAL
SOCIETY MEETS ON
THE SECOND THURS-
DAY DURING THE
MONTHS OF SEPTEM-
BER - NOVEMBER AND
JANUARY - MAY.

7:00 P.M.

LDS CHURCH
3000 OLD NORTH RD.
DENTON, TEXAS

OCTOBER IS FAMILY HISTORY MONTH

Join fellow genealogists across the country in celebrating your family heritage during this month-long celebration. Plan to spend time on those genealogy projects you've put off for far too long! Here are some suggestions:

- Interview family members about those stories you heard as a child.
- Catalog your family photographs, identifying them by people, places, and dates.
- Go to the library and scan family photos and documents onto a cd.
- Write a medical history of your family.
- Plan a genealogy field trip to the library, National Archives, or to your ancestral home.
- Find out about the history of a location where your ancestors settled.
- Attend a genealogy workshop to learn something new.
- Attend the Denton County Genealogy Society meeting.

Share all of these projects with your family...get everyone involved!



1896- Denton County Courthouse-1996



- I. Call to Order
- II. Introduce Guests
- III. Program- Immigration into and out of Virginia
- IV. Minutes & Treasurer's Report
- V. Librarian's Report
- VI. Approve Minutes
- VII. Approve Treasurer's Report
- VIII. Special Projects
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
- XI. Announcements & Adjourn

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.

THIS MAY BE YOUR LAST NEWSLETTER!

If you receive your newsletter by mail, check your mailing label. If \$\$ appears after your name, we have no record of your dues being paid for 2002-2003. If you feel that this is in error, please see our Treasurer, Holly Hervey. If Payment is not made by the November newsletter deadline, then you will not receive any more newsletters until payment is received. Don't miss a single edition! Send your payment now!

For those of you who receive your newsletter by email, your email message will indicate that you need to pay your dues.

HAZEL ROBERTS PEARSON, RN 1918-2002

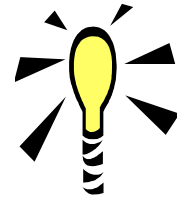
Hazel Maudine Roberts, mother of Diana White, former president of the Denton County Genealogical Society, was born 22 April 1918 to Charles Henry and Laura Ann Soward Roberts in Parsons, Kansas. She died 18 September 2002 at Methodist Medical Center in Dallas, Texas. She spent most of her childhood in Shawnee, Oklahoma, where she graduated from high school. She graduated from the University of Oklahoma School of Nursing in 1938, and worked as a registered nurse in Oklahoma City for several years. On Friday the 13th of September in 1940, she married a young intern, Daniel Bester Pearson, Jr., in Oklahoma City, OK. All celebrated their 62 years of marriage last Friday. They moved to Dallas in 1962.

Hazel was a member of the Dallas County Medical Auxiliary, the Texas Medical Association Auxiliary, the Oak Cliff Women's Club, the Oak Cliff Tuesday Book Club, and an inactive member of the Order of Eastern Star.

Survivors include her husband D.B. of Dallas, daughter Maurine Pearson of Arlington, daughter Diana White of Denton, son Daniel Bester Pearson, III, PhD, MD of Dallas, daughter Charlotte Mizener, PhD. Of Edinburg, and son Mark Pearson of Frisco. She also is survived by ten grandchildren: Melissa Degenhart of Dallas; Lisa Leffingwell Gunter of Dallas; Melinda Schultz of Denton; Todd Leffingwell of Arlington; Stephanie Pearson of Frisco; Danny Pearson of Dallas; Rachel Pearson of Dallas; Mark Pearson, Jr. of Frisco; Laura Pearson of Dallas; and Jonathan Pearson of Frisco. Two foster grandchildren survive: Kristi Tufte of Garland and Will McCarty of Watauga. Also surviving are great-grandchildren Cody and Macy Leffingwell, as well as two step great-grandchildren Andrea and Austin Gunter. Her brother James Henry Roberts of Manly, Iowa, survives, as do many nieces, nephews, and in-laws. She was preceded in death by her parents, brothers Noble, Herman, and Clifton Roberts and sisters Ruth Spore and Verla Wallis.



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WANTED: STORIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE NEWSLETTER!

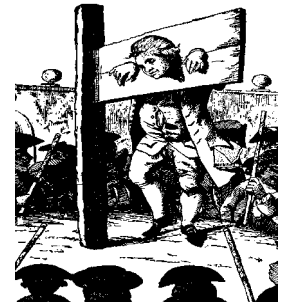
Do you have an interesting genealogy of history story or announcement you would like to share with the membership of the Denton County Genealogical Society? We would like to include these in our newsletter. Please write them up and submit them to the newsletter editor, Kathy Strauss by the newsletter deadline. All articles will be considered.

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Deadline
for
November
Newsletter is
October 31





News From The Library

NEW ADDITIONS TO THE EMILY FOWLER LIBRARY OF INTEREST TO THE GENEALOGIST:

Early Virginia, 1600-1819, vol. I., by Ronald V. Jackson
(Part of the Early American Series)
975.5 JAC

The Handybook for Genealogists, by George B. Everton.
10th ed. (2002)
G 929.3 EVE

Hill County (Texas) Trilogy, by Harold B. Simpson. (1986)
TEX 976.4283 SIM

Proud Heritage: Pioneer Families of Dallas County, by Dallas County Pioneer Association. (1986)
TEX 976.42811 PRO

Rural American Methodism in North Texas: the History of Chinn's Chapel, with graves listed and genealogy, by Shirley B. Faille. (1998)
D.TEX 287.6 FAI

The Came in Ships: a Guide to Finding Your Immigrant Ancestor's Arrival Record, by John P. Colletta. Revised updated, 3d ed. (2002)
G 929.1072 COL



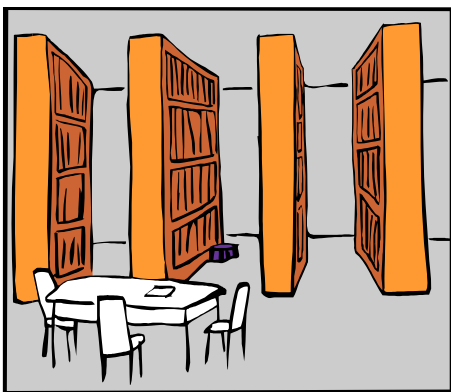
Lectures & Seminars

The Lewisville Stake of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints presents a Family History Seminar on October 19, 2002. The free workshops will be from 8:00 a. m.-4:00 p.m. at the stake center at 615 MacArthur in Coppell, Texas. Registration for the workshops should be sent to Cynda Melville 336 Beechwood Lane, Coppell, TX 75019, or call 972-393-6976.

The Denton Public Library presents Genealogy for Beginners. This program teaches the basics of genealogical research and will be presented on Wednesday, October 30 at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Library. Preregistration is required. To preregister, call 940-349-8570.

Texas State Genealogical Society's 42nd Annual Conference will be held on November 1 & 2, 2002 at the Hotel Galvez in Galveston, Texas. The conference is titled "Finding Our Ancestors." Featured speakers will be Kim Morton, speaking on "Revolutionary War Pensions, Martha Everman Jones, speaking on "Texas Courthouse Records," Albert Seguin Gonzales and J.B. Kline, speaking on "Juan Seguin's Road to History," Victor Lang, speaking on "Galveston Island," and John Phillip Coletta, speaking on "U.S. Passenger Arrival Records." Mail registration to TSGS Treasurer, Terry Smith Bowers, 302 Oak Forest Drive, League City, TX 77573. Complete cost is \$70.00. Hotel reservations can be made at the Hotel Galvez in Galveston. Call 409-765-7721 and identify yourself as part of the Texas State Genealogical Society Group Block. Special rate is \$99.00 Single/Double + tax.

Louisiana Purchase Bicentennial Conference on Genealogy sponsored by the Louisiana Genealogical & Historical Society will be held on 25-26 April 2003 in Baton Rouge. Register by 1 March 2003 and attend both Friday & Saturday and the Banquet for \$75.00. Rooms are available for Conference attendees at \$72.00 per night at the Holiday Inn South in Baton Rouge.



GENEALOGY DEPARTMENT OF THE ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY TO CLOSE FOR MOVE TO INTERIM LOCATION

The Historical Genealogy Department of the Allen County Public Library will close for relocation on Saturday, December 14, 2002 at 6 p.m. The department will remain closed through the month of January 2003. This is to allow time to move all materials to our interim location. The current building will be going through renovation and expansion.

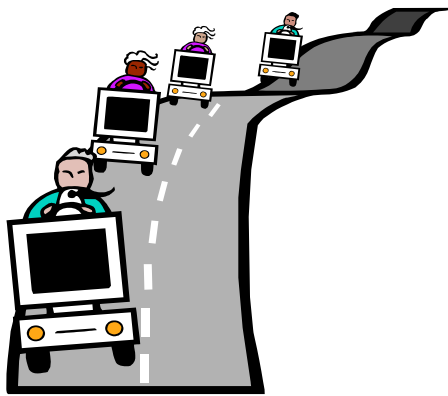
All our research material will be available up until Saturday, December 14. When the library opens at the interim location, we will have all our books, microforms, and periodicals ready for research.

Closing the department will allow us to move the whole collection at once instead of doing it piecemeal. This will ensure that the materials you are coming to Fort Wayne to use for your research will be available when you arrive, offering the full collection for our researchers.

The interim location of the Allen County Public Library will be at 200 East Berry St., Fort Wayne, Indiana. It is five blocks to the east of the current library.

One of the most exciting things about the interim location is that the genealogy collection will be a browsing collection. All the materials will be out and available for the researcher to retrieve them. Materials will not have to be paged; the shelves will be open.

For further information, please visit the library's web site at www.acpl.lib.in.us.



SURFING THE WEB

<http://fisher.lib.virginia.edu/census>

This interesting web site contains The United States Historical Census Data Browser. The data presented describe the people and economy of the US for each state and county from 1790 to 1960.

www.glorerecords.blm.gov

The official web site of the Government Land office. The searchable databases found here provide information so that the researcher can obtain certified copies of actual land patents. The website also provides related links for beginning genealogists.

www.ellislandrecords.com

Between 1892 and 1924 over 22 million passengers and members of ships' crews came through Ellis Island and the Port of New York. Genealogists can research passenger records from ships that brought the immigrants, and see the original manifests with the passengers' names.

www.hpl.lib.tx.us/clayton/

The web site for the Clayton Library, Center for Genealogical Research. The Clayton Library, a special collection of the Houston Public Library, contains an extensive collection of U.S. and foreign books, CD-ROMs, microfilm, and family histories.

www.itd.nps.gov/cwss/

The Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System is a computerized database set up by the National Parks Service containing basic facts about over 5.4 million soldiers and sailors — servicemen who served on both sides during the Civil War.

www.geocities.com/gentutor/migration.html

This web site by Beverly Whitaker, Kansas City, Missouri contains information and links to sites about American Migration Patterns.





Minutes

The Denton County Genealogical Society held its regular monthly meeting on September 12, 2002 at the Stake Center of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3000 Old North Road, Denton, Texas. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President, Bob McCombs. Linda Touraine outlined the program for the next two years, "The Came to Texas," Migration Patterns Across America. She introduced the speaker for the evening's program, Bob McCombs. His presentation was on "Ports of Entry." He gave several handouts to the members outlining the various ports and dates for settlement of America from pre-1607 to 1783.

After the completion of the program, Bob McCombs called the business meeting to order. Holly Hervey moved to approve the minutes of the May, 2002 meeting. The motion was seconded by Diana White. Holly Hervey distributed the Treasurer's report. Willie Malone moved to accept the Treasurer's report as written. Virginia Brenholtz seconded the motion.

Diana White reported that Recycled Books has received more genealogy books, covering Virginia, South Carolina, and New England. She moved that the Denton County Genealogical Society donate \$400 worth of books from Recycled Books for the library. Shirley Price seconded the motion. The motion passed. Willie Malone moved that some of these books be donated in Florence Denton's memory. Holly Hervey seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Linda Touraine reported that the Librarian's Report was printed in the newsletter and that she had nothing new to add. She asked the membership for suggestions about what to buy for the library.

In Old Business, there was a discussion about the cost of publishing the City of Denton Birth records book. Linda Touraine reported that she audited the treasurer's books during the summer and that they balanced. There was a discussion on records retention, and it was agreed that it would be at the treasurer's discretion to dispose of old records.

Mary Tate reported on the special project of copying obituaries from the microfilm of the Denton Record Chronicle. She asked for more volunteers to participate, and gave packets to several members.

Bob McCombs announced that there were several genealogy seminars of possible interest to the Society. Linda Touraine reported that more speakers were needed for our monthly programs and that every effort would be made to find outside speakers for some of the programs.

Since there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kathy Strauss

Treasurer's Report



Bank Balance August 31, 2002	\$1,845.77
Funds Deposited	
Dues	\$ 55.00
Will Book Sale	25.00
Research	<u>7.50</u>
Total Funds Collected	\$ 87.50
Funds Disbursed	
Consignment Expense	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
Total Funds Disbursed	\$ 10.00
Cash on Hand September 30, 2002	\$1,923.27

2002-2003 Paid Members – 39

Library Donations	
Books bought April, 1995 thru May, 2000	\$1,599.72
Books bought June 2000 thru May 2001	318.50
Books bought June 2001 thru May 2002	76.00
Books bought June 2002 thru May 2003	400.00

	Will Books/Cost		Death Books/Cost
Copies Sold	150	\$3,782.06	116
Printing Cost	200	-1,618.62	300—
Consignment Fee		-330.00	-260.00
Postage		-376.62	-154.29
Sales Tax Paid		-113.93	-77.19
Advertising		<u>-101.00</u>	<u>-237.45</u>
Profit		\$1,241.89	\$282.64

Respectfully Submitted
Holly Hervey, Treasurer



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