

DCGS NEWS

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OCTOBER MEETING THURSDAY, OCT 11, 2012



1896- Denton County Courthouse-

The Denton County Genealogical Society meets on the second Thursday during the months on September-November and January-May. 6:30 P.M.

Denton Public Library, Emily Fowler Central Library, 502 Oakland St., Denton, TX 76201
www.genealogydentontexas.org

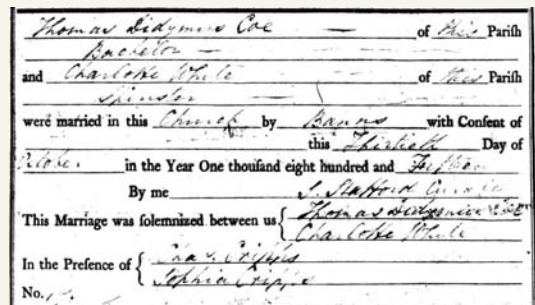
PROGRAM: "DNA: Legally a Cobb, Biologically a Mill" Speaker: Roger Cobb

Find out how DNA can help break down a brick wall in your family history. Roger Cobb will discuss his experience in the use of DNA testing and how it helped to further his

research past his grandfather's generation. He will also talk about DNA basics and how DNA testing can help you. Mr. Cobb has been involved in genealogy research for over 45 years. He was born and raised in Wisconsin. He and his wife, Barbara, moved to Texas in 2005 to be near their daughter.

Mark and Mary Brownmiller Renew Vows in England

Denton County Genealogical Society members, Mark and Mary Brownmiller journeyed to England and Scotland in August for their 30th wedding anniversary. They renewed their vows on August 28, 2012 at St. Martin of Tours, in Ashurst, Kent, UK. Mary's third great-grandparents, Thomas Coe and Charlotte White were married in this church in 1815. The church has been active since the 900's.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear DCGS Friend,

Did you attend our September meeting? If not, you missed a great program. Who would have thought that a history professor could be so entertaining? We expected him to be knowledgeable, of course, but who knew his presentation would be so affable, interesting, and enthusiastic. Richard McCaslin, PhD, had developed a program for us based on Texas connections to the White House starting with Sam Houston. We had a very good attendance and several visitors.

Our program for October promises to be equally informative. The speaker will be Roger Cobb who will deliver a program that has been requested by many – DNA and Your Genealogy. The meeting will take place on Thursday, October 11, 2012, at the Emily Fowler Library. Social and networking time is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. and the program will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Our Membership Committee, co-chaired by Mary and Mark Brownmiller, created Chapter Handbooks and did a terrific job. If you missed out last month, be sure to pick one up at the October meeting. Bookmarks that list our planned programs for the coming year are available, thanks to Dayonne Work, Program Chair. We are also having posters printed promoting our Chapter. They were designed by Laura Douglas, our Publicity Chair. If you have a place of business (or know of one) where we can post one of these posters, you may want to pick up one or two and help introduce citizens to the joys of family history.

A new research benefit is being developed by Danny Puckett, Historical Research Chair. Information about this new program will be

available at the October meeting. Our Webmaster, Chris Strauss, is busily working on a new website for us. It should be up and going shortly; in the meantime, keep checking for our DCGS News at our existing website, www.rootsweb.com/~txdcgs.

A special Library Lock-In is planned for Friday, October 19, 2012. A schedule is provided elsewhere in this newsletter and fliers will be available at the October meeting. Plan to attend all or part of the program, but you won't want to miss out on what promises to be an information-filled evening.

The annual conference of the Texas State Genealogical Society will be held at the Riley Center in Fort Worth November 1-3, 2012. Registration and program information will be available at the October meeting or you can visit the TSGS website at www.txsgs.org.

By the way, to take care of just a bit of necessary business, if you haven't paid your dues yet, please do so. The dues are \$15 per individual or \$25 for a couple. Our membership year runs from June 1 through May 31.

Our appreciation goes to Mel Brewer who made a generous donation to the Chapter in memory of his wife, Winkie. The funds will definitely be put to good use.

Lot of good things are happening with the DCGS. You'll want to be a part of it.



Wanda Samek, President



SEPTEMBER 2012 MINUTES

Veneta Lewis was the greeter assisted by Dayonne Work.

The September 2012 meeting of the Denton County Genealogical Society was called to order by President Wanda Samek.

There being no corrections, the minutes of the May, 2012, meeting were approved as presented in the Chapter's online newsletter. The Treasurer's report, also available in the newsletter, was filed for record.

Mark and Mary Brownmiller, co-chairs of the Membership Committee, had each visitor fill out a card then read them during the meeting as an introduction. Attending were: Judy Flowers, Wilda Tisdale, Richard and Mary Ann Kitchens, D J and Vicki Taylor, Charlice Talbot, Nita Thurman, and Sloan J Black. There were 43 members in attendance.

A donation of \$100.00 was given to the society by Mel Brewer in memory of his wife, Winkie.

The committee chairs were introduced by the president who also mentioned the projects they were working on or had completed:

Membership – Mark and Mary Brownmiller, new Membership Handbook

Publicity – Laura Douglas, new society posters were on the back table for members to review and comment on Historical Research Coordinator – Danny Puckett (not in attendance)

Newsletter – Kathy Strauss, (not in attendance due to illness), planning the lock-in for October

Webmaster – Chris Strauss is developing a new web site for the Chapter.

A Hospitality Chair is still needed.

The Texas State Genealogical Society is having their annual conference November 1-3, 2012 at the Riley Conference Center, 4726 Stanley Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas. Check out their web site for more information and registration: txsgs.org

There was no new business.

Dayonne Work introduced the evening's speaker, Dr. Richard McCaslin who gave a lively presentation about "Texas and The White House".

The meeting was adjourned by Wanda Samek.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance September 1, 2012	\$1,386.03	Birth Books Sold (63)	\$2,055.00
Deposits		Printing Cost (200)	-2,049.13
Dues	\$ 200.00	Postage	-118.69
Donations	<u>5.00</u>	Sales Tax Paid	-110.95
Total	\$ 205.00	Advertising (1)	<u>-30.00</u>
		Profit	\$ -253.77
Disbursements:		Death Books Sold (145)	\$3,404.72
#1072 Reimbursement		Printing Cost (300)	-1,593.15
Newsletter postage - \$45.00		Consignment Fees	-425.00
Total	\$ 45.00	Postage	-156.99
		Sales Tax Paid	-79.25
Balance September 30, 2012	\$1,546.03	Advertising	<u>-237.45</u>
		Profit	\$ 912.88
2012-2013 Paid Members – 34		Respectfully Submitted,	
Library Donations		Linda Touraine, Treasurer	
April 1995 - May 06	\$2,876.52		
June 2006 – June 2012	3,310.00		





Genealogy After Hours

Five libraries across Texas will be hosting a “Lock-In” on Friday, Oct. 19, 2012. Programming and genealogical resources will be shared by Denton Public Library, Texas State Library and Archives Commission, Waco-McLennan County Library Genealogy Division, Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research in Houston, and the Plano Public Library Genealogy, Local History and Archives Division.

Come early for Webinars in the Special Collections Department beginning at 2:00. Bring headphones or earbuds.

Webinars at the After-Hours event will be:

6:30—“Genealogy 101” - Cheryl Smith, Plano Public Library

8:15—“Resources of the Texas State Library and Archives” - Sara Hayes, TSLAC

9:30—“Unusual Genealogy Resources” - Sue Kaufman, Clayton Library

Bring your supper and a drink and join us in the meeting room.

(SEE COMPLETE SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION ON OPPOSITE SIDE)

Friday, OCT 19, 2012
6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

Emily Fowler Central Library 502 Oakland Street www.dentonlibrary.com
FREE, Advanced registration—940-349-8752



www.cityofdenton.com
ADA/BOE/ADEA
TDD: (800) 735-2989



Go to www.genealogydentontexas.org for schedule of events, or pick up a flyer at the Genealogy Desk at Emily Fowler Central Library.

This is a FREE event, however, please call 940-349-8752 to register.

TEXAS STATE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONFERENCE

The Texas State Genealogical Society's 2012 Annual Conference, "Saddlebags to Social Networking: Following Ancestors Through History," will be held November 1-3 at the Riley Conference Center in Fort Worth.

This year's featured speaker is Curt Witcher, who heads one of the top genealogical research libraries in the nation, the Allen County Public Library's Genealogy Center in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Thursday is FREE Learning Day. Develop genealogical society leadership skills or learn how librarians can better serve genealogists. Also free on Thursday are two identical half-day sessions on using FamilySearch.org.

Thursday Night is the FREE "Best of the Southwest" Genealogy Expo where sellers of genealogical books, services and supplies will be open for business.

Friday is the first of two days of concentrated education where many of Texas's best genealogical speakers will

present a variety of topics. There will also be a free "Getting Started" track that will help novices begin their research.

Friday night's banquet speaker will be Lloyd Bockstruck, this area's iconic source of genealogical wit and wisdom.

Saturday tops the Conference with Curt Witcher sharing his years of knowledge and national leadership in four lectures.

All classes, even the free ones, require registration. Register online at <https://txsgs.wufoo.com/forms/2012-tsgs-annual-conference-registration/>, or pick up a registration form at the Denton Public Library Genealogy Desk.



NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

Genealogy After-Hours

Join genealogists from across Texas in this unique evening of distance-learning and research. Participants will be able to tap resources from the Clayton Library of Genealogy Research in Houston, the Waco-McLennan County Public Library, the Plano Public Library, and many others. There will be programs from several of the locations and viewable online. One-on-one research help will be available during research time. Bring a brown-bag supper and drink. FREE. Call 349-8752 to register.

Fri. 10/19 Emily Fowler Library 6-11 pm

Lineage Society Applications

Are you thinking about applying to a lineage society, but

just don't know how the process works. Learn what is expected, and how to obtain the proper documentation for membership.

Call 349-8752 to register.

Sat. 10/27 Emily Fowler Library 3-5 pm

Library Databases for Genealogy Research

Become familiar with the resources available through the Denton Public Library for genealogy research.

Learn basic searching techniques to find ancestors and review the contents of genealogy databases.

Call 349-9752 to register.

Sat. 12/01 Emily Fowler Library 3-5 pm

2010-2012 OFFICERS

President—Wanda Samek

Vice-President—Dayonne Work

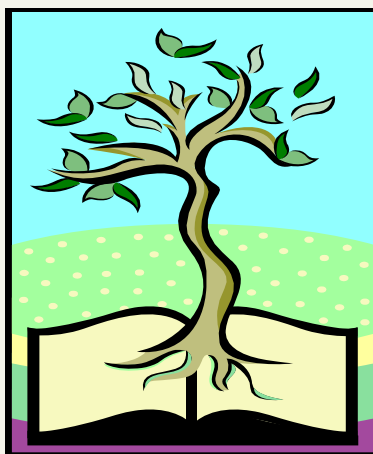
Secretary—Susan McIntosh

Treasurer—Linda Touraine

Librarian—Kathy Strauss

Webmaster—Chris Strauss

Historical Research—Danny Puckett



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