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Schedule of Events

Mark your calendars now for the exciting Genealogy Friends events in 2017. Meetings are held in the Program Room at the Haggard Library, 2501 Coit Rd., Plano, TX from 10:15 to 12:30 unless otherwise noted:

Today's Topic:

February 18, 2017—"The Computer Doctor is In" by Daniel Scurlock

Future Topics

March 8, 2017—Dining Out at Spaghetti Warehouse

March 18, 2017—"Introduction to FamilySearch" by Lynell Moss

April 15, 2017—We are celebrating GenFriends 20th Anniversary. Program by Brenda Kellow

May 20, 2017—"How to use Forever Products" by Cheryl Sceehy

June 17, 2017—"What To Do With DNA Results" by Douglas Fugate

The Legacy Users Group meets the fourth Tuesday of each month, downstairs at Haggard Library from 1:30 to 3:30. There is an after meeting session if you need one on one help. Contact ptxlegacyug@verizon.net

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Publications for Sale

The following are available from Genealogy Friends:

Public Land Survey Systems	\$5
Plano Star Courier Index 1904-1910	\$20
Plano Star Courier Index 1911-1917	\$20
Cemeteries of Collin County, TX	\$40
Collin County, TX Voter Registration Index 1867	\$20
Place Names of Collin County, TX	\$10
Railroads in Collin County, TX	\$10
Colonial Ills, Brews & Concoctions	\$10
Library 101: Using Dewey Decimal Sys	\$10
Compiled Newsletters with Index	\$15

Genfriends Membership

Our membership year runs from October 1 to September 30. Individual memberships are \$30 a year and family memberships are \$50. Don't forget to renew your membership for next year.

The money we raise is used to purchase materials for the Genealogy Section at Haggard Library.

Download the membership form on our website <http://genealogyfriends.org/news/> send it in with payment to

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Tracing Our Roots Column in Plano Star Courier

The Tracing Our Roots column published weekly in the Plano Star Courier (available on the paper's website) and written by Genealogy Friends' member Brenda Kellow, covers a different topic or subject each week. Columns already published for this year are on:

- Finding military in the census
- Examining the Agriculture census
- Obituaries
- Additional things to look for in obituaries, and in vital records

In addition, Brenda announces national events, fee increases in everyday genealogical records, new records added to the Internet and to genealogists' favorite sites. The past topics are available for several years. Access the site at http://starlocalmedia.com/opinion/blogs/blog_7/. Brenda will add your name to her weekly announcement when her column appears online if you request it by emailing her at bbkellow@verizon.net. You may also request topics for her to cover.

RootsTech Sessions & Other Genealogy Webinars

RootsTech took place in Salt Lake City February 8-11, 2017. They recorded a number of the sessions and they are available for you to watch on their website <https://www.rootstech.org/>. There are general sessions and sessions on various genealogy topics. Next year's conference will be February 28-March 3, 2018.

Legacy Family Tree Webinars offers both live webinars and recordings. They offer webinars every week, you can register on their website, <http://familytreewebinars.com/#>. The webinars are available to view for a short time after the live broadcast. You can also purchase a membership for \$49.95 and view any of the webinars and download handouts.

The Illinois State Genealogy Society sponsors monthly webinars on the second Tuesday. You don't have to be a member to register on their website <http://www.ilgensoc.org/cpage.php?pt=227>. Members can also view recordings of previous webinars.

Flashback: Memories of Plano, 1956

By Brenda Burns Kellow

The Plano Star-Courier, Plano, Collin County, Texas
November 15, 1956, Volume 69, No. 28

Compiled by Brenda Burns Kellow, 2016

Tracing Our Roots weekly genealogy column http://starlocalmedia.com/opinion/blogs/blog_7/

Remember, this is an abstract of the newspaper. Not all names may be mentioned, i.e., obituaries, showers, and marriages may not have every name mentioned that were in the newspaper. For the complete content, look at the microfilm or find the copy in Newspapers.com.

Collin County no longer claims to have the fattest man, the late Sam Harris of Farmersville, 1873-1924. Mr. Harris was six foot two-inches tall and weighed only 731 pounds, and attributed his weight to a bout of typhoid as a youngster. The new holder of the title is 30 year old Fishhook, Illinois, resident Robert Earl Hughes. He is six foot tall, 1,041 [but weighed 11,069 at his heaviest], and 115 inches around the waist. His father and two brothers are of average size. He weighs often, but because of his enormous weight, he has to use commercial scales. He attributes his weight to whooping cough when he was two-years old. He says the constant coughing upset nature's delicate balance and the glandular disease followed.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Reddell, Mrs. Celestia Herndon and Miss Vernice Jones of McKinney were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Bagwill.

The First Baptist Church sponsored the Football Frolic for the young people of Plano immediately after the game at Rice Field. The hayride will go to the Brigham Farm east of Plano. Bucky Harris from Baylor University in Waco will be the speaker.

Recently purchasing homes in Southwood Estates are: Mr. and Mrs. George Cox, Sr.; Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fessler; Mr. and Mrs. David Burnett Dickson; and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Stewart. Construction underway for Mr. and Mrs. Jarrell Davis; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harrell; Mrs. Carl M. Hasford purchased four lots; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Dugger; Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Griffin; Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Watson; Mr. and Mrs. George A. Wyatt; and Leeton Zachary. For information call Benton (Duckie) Anderson.

Owners T. C. Harrington and Jack O. Harrington are remodeling the Harrington Funeral Home of 15th Street and G Avenue. A modern chapel will be built.

Services were held at First Baptist Church with Harrington Funeral Home in charge of burial at Restland for Harvey Skaggs, 75. He and Mr. Bob Burns were found after a gas explosion. Produce dealer Harry H. Price found Mr. Skaggs' body. Mr. Skaggs was born October 13, 1881 in Union County, Tennessee. Services were by Rev. A. J. Fineout. Pallbearers were: Sam Stogner; Herbert Shaffer; Grady E. Cothes; Clyde Ball; W. G. Carlisle and Homer Gallop. Survivors are: Mrs. Sophie Ethel Skaggs; J. H. Skaggs; Ray Skaggs; Jack A. Skaggs; Robert E. Skaggs; Mrs. Millard S. Cook; Miss Laura Mae Skaggs; Mrs. Wm. R. Johnson; and Mrs. E. G. Kristen.

Thomas B. Hulse, 78, died in a fire and Ed Lane suffered injuries at a McKinney rooming house owned by Mrs. Mary Shipman. Fire Chief Walter Cockrell and Police Chief Euel Ford said causes are not yet determined. Mr. Hulse, better known as "B. Batson" was a well-known bicycle rider having ridden in International Bicycle races.

Mrs. Melissa Elvira Commons, 73, of Melissa, died Wednesday after being hit by a truck. Services were held at Melissa Methodist Church. Highway Patrolman, Pat Stephenson, said the accident was unavoidable. Robert Gene Grims was the driver of the truck.

Services were held last week for Avery Goforth, 86, in the Forest Grove Church. Rev. John Luebke presided with burial in the Fitzhugh Cemetery at Forest Grove. He was born June 9 1870 in Tennessee to Alfred and Martha Wagner Goforth. Survivors are: Mrs. May Sullivan; C. W. Goforth; R. B. Goforth; H. L. Goforth; Earl Goforth; Gilbert Goforth; and George Goforth

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Jackson recently moved back to Plano. He is employed at Temco in Garland.

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Mr. and Mrs. Al Klassen's four year old daughter Kathy was bitten by a puppy in Southwood Edition. The puppy was last seen at the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. A. L. Woodson of Fort Worth was killed instantly in a traffic accident last week. Her husband A. L. Woodson and their five-month old daughter Yvonne Marie were injured at the intersection of 121 and 289 on Monday.

The five band judges at the Grand Prairie Regional Meet are: Lyle Skinner; Robert Fielder; Robert C. Davidson; Wm. F. Postlewaite; and D. O. Wiley. Chairman is Leon Breedon.

Plano hosts Rockwall Friday night at the District Title game. Players are quarter back Don Gunn; Pinky Allman; James Uselton; Gerald Wheat; Benny Davis; Jerry Preas.

CROP workers (Christian Rural Oversees Program) collected \$100 announced Mrs. Talmadge Uland.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stinson announced the arrival of their baby son, Wayne L. Stinson, Jr. at City-County Hospital in McKinney. Little Wayne weighed seven pounds and 11 ounces. Little Wayne has a little sister, Helen Louise, 20 months.

Miss Frances Norton and Miss Gladys Watson took Allen students on a trip to Storybook Land near Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Donley opened Donley's Flower Shop in their rural home.

- p. 2 Farmers' Administration State Director Walter T. McKay announced the extension of the Emergency Feed and Grain program until December 31.

Wylie residents celebrated 100 years of Methodism in the Wylie, St. Paul area. Former pastors Rev. W. R. Corrigan and Rev. Fitzhugh Talbot celebrated the event with current minister Fitzhugh Talbot at the communion services. The Samuel Spurgin and Mark L. Morris families were the first Methodists in the area living in the St. Paul Community north of Wylie. Records show they attended their First Methodist Conference in 1856. A number of members of the present First Methodist are descendants of the Spurgin and Morris families and the St. Paul Church is now part of the Wylie Church. Rev. Roy R. Patton is pastor of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Allen Duncan visited Saturday and Sunday in Houston with his brother Edmund Duncan, a patient at the Veteran's Hospital. Next they visited the San Jacinto Monument and Battleship Texas. Edmund is doing nicely after ear surgery.

- p. 3 Army PFC James R. Graves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claudia M. Graves, is in Germany with the 11th Airborne Division. He entered the Army in April 1955. He arrived in Europe in March 1956. He was formerly employed by the Plano Theatre and attended Plano Public High School.

Wolf trapper J. A. Benson was hired to eradicate wolves in the county. Last year he killed or caught over 100 wolves. Ray Haggard is chair of the committee and W. R. Bundick is secretary. Community chairs are: L. L. Jacobs; A. P. Yeager; H. W. Sonntag; Morris Morgan; Morris Montgomery; Raymond Nelson; J. R. Merriman. Judge W. E. Button approved the action.

O. H. Grubbs, 15 year veteran of the automobile business in Dallas is now a Dodge-Plymouth dealer in Garland. Mr. Grubbs, reared in Plano, is the son of Tede Grubbs.

30,000 youth in Texas engage in Crop Canvass. The Friendship Girls is led by Mrs. Talmadge Uland.

- p. 4 New lawsuits: Elbert W. Wright vs. Connie R. Wright, divorce; Wanda Imogene Watson vs. Vernon Leon Watson, divorce; Lionel Lee Wilson vs. Argonaut Underwriters Insurance Co., compensation; Oscar Coker vs. Mary Coker, divorce; C.C. Cobbins vs. Trinity Universal Insurance Company, compensation; Jean Martin vs. Cleo Martin, divorce; Lewis C. Krodel vs Clyde Todd, et al partition suit; Lewis C. Krodel vs Marvia H. Burris et al, partition suit; H. W. Wicker et al vs Marcus Wicker partition suit; Johnny Magers vs Nancy Magers, divorce.

Suits disposed of: Melva Joyce Barnett vs Mack Weldon Barnett, divorce granted; Thomas L. McCrowan vs

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Elizabeth Ruth McCrowan, divorce granted; Mary Ruth Stone vs Richard Stone, dismissed; Dorothy M. Sandlin vs H. O. Sandlin, divorce granted; Burney May Hensley vs C. E. Hensley, divorce granted.

Marriage License issued: Mitchell Ace Franks & Winnie D. Green; L. M. Jackson & Shirley Ruth Allen; Leon Emory Thompson & Edith Mae Basher; Lugine Fountain & Caroline Hargraves; Manuel Bisvarra & Marth Castilla; Calvin Jackson & Mary Ethel Palmer; Anselina Garza & Fredine Butler; Russell Cromm and Ruth Quin; Eugene Welch and Evelyn Neil McKinney; John Henry Free & Joy Ann Lindley; William Lyle Brooks & Patricia Ann Kemp; Glen Alvin Westbrook & Wanda Jean Burns.

Cases Disposed of: Leonard Dean; Charles E. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Vince Duke spent the weekend in Terral, Oklahoma with Mrs. Fannie Duke and children.

Mrs. Tom Brown was visited by son Tom Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harris visited his sister Miss Mattie Punchard.

Mr. and Mrs. Fayette Yarbrough in Plano with his cousin, Mrs. Frank Robinson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Painter visited in Plano returned from Las Fresnos, Texas, after visiting with Mrs. Charles E. Painter.

Mrs. Bennett Perry is improving at Baylor Hospital.

Brownie Troop 88 visited in the home of leader Mrs. Emmitt Clem. Mrs. Dick Loveless and son spoke on cleanliness. Penny Apple and Mrs. Leland Robinson were hostesses. Henry Nelson sponsors the pin ceremony.

Weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Frost were Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Smith and Martha Ann, Miss Luella Hank, and Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Frost and Ricky.

p. 5 Sunday Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garrett were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Passions and Mrs. Beulah Riley.

Miss Pearl Jackson visited her sister Mrs. W. H. Lindsey in Denton.

Inducted into the armed forces were: Norman Rudolph Adams; Jack Dwayne Bilderback; Billy Joe Newby; Thomas Wayne Goodman; Leonard Brooks Ellenburg; Bobby Don Brinley.

FFA Winners at the Collin Fair are: Jackie Pell; John Spurgin; Kyle Hooper; John Spurgin; Don Carpenter.

The family of H. S. Skaggs thanks everyone for their kindness during their bereavement.

Thanking everyone for the flowers after the passing of their son and brother are: Mr. and Mrs. K. Combest; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pate; Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hendricks; Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Combest; Mr. and Mrs. Dell Combest.

The J. M. Nelson family thanks everyone for their kindness.

p. 6 Mrs. Emma Patton has been ill and resides with daughter Mrs. Arthur Stout.

The Fidelis Club of the First Baptist Church met at the home of Mrs. D. B. Burkhart and Mrs. Foy Lemons. Prayer was by Mrs. C. O. Walker.

Mrs. A. L. Burnside was honored on her birthday by: James Burnside; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Robinson; Mrs. L. L. Talent; Mrs. C. O. Walker; Doyle Burnside; Mrs. W. B. Phillips; Borden Burnside; Johnny Burnside; Mrs. J. U. Hale; T. E. Burnside; and Jack Burnside.

Mrs. John Broadhead hosted '05 Club. Guests were: Mrs. Edgar Huffstutler; Mrs. J. H. Porterfield; Mrs. Frank Armstrong; Mrs. Cecil Taylor; Mrs. C. J. Christie; Mrs. Frank Armstrong.

Mrs. Freddie Harrington hosted the Plano Garden Club. Attending were: Mrs. Fred Miers; Mrs. George Roper; Mrs. W. G. Carlisle; Mrs. Louis Hoffmaster; Misses Ann Miers; Jolley Whiteman; Molly Newbill; Mmes. Frank Pasino; James Robinson; John Meadors; Charlie Mayes; George W. Jones; George Roper; J. F. Howell; Frances Kelly; L. A. Huguley; Allen Duncan; Walter Haire.

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p. 7 Plano Rotarians and guests heard a talk by Senator Ray Roberts. Attending were: Leon Dugger; President T. H. :Bill: Williams; Rev. Edgar Huffstutler; Miss Sherrie Garrett; Don W. Bagwill; E. A. Sigler; Kyle Hooper; James L. Clarkson, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Dunn visited her mother Mrs. J. A. Maultsby.

p. 8 Plano Colored High School celebrated Halloween. Attending were: Charlotte Davis; Essie Holmes; Wanda Drakes; Maxine Smith; Edwina Hutchinson; Sarah Show; Lois Murphy; Mrs. Y. D. Alexander was the sponsor; Lillie Fae Goree; Mrs. Shirley Bell Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Garrett attended the Tuesday football game in Allen.

Friday Bridge Club met at the home of Mrs. George Jones Nov. 2. Attending were: Mmes. Jack Harris; Clint Haggard; John Broadhead; Pat Clark; Berryman Miller; Millard Rice.

Mrs. W. D. Wiser and Mr. Floyd Jolly of PTA will discuss any problem parents are having with their children in elementary school.

Nancy Chalenor is quarterback of girls' football team. Team members were: Linda Taylor; Sherrie Garrett; Claudette Graves; Beatrice Riggs; Joan Wood; Emogene Vest; Tommie Hicklin; Shelby Craig; Sadie Dunn; Laurana Rice; Linda Roller; Becky Armstrong; Edna Raines; Ann Miers; Mary Lou Raines; Jolly Whitman; Carole Walker; Betsy Armstrong; Margie Prince; Mary Linda Wheeler; Donna Stipp.

Dining Out—Spaghetti Warehouse

Join Genealogy Friends of Plano Library for a Dinner:

Where: Spaghetti Warehouse, 1517 N Central Expressway, Plano, TX 75075

When: March 8, 2017 at 7:00 pm

- Dinner will include:
- Beverage
- Bread and Butter
- Your choice of one of the following:
 - Spaghetti & Meatballs
 - 15 Layer Lasagna
 - Four Cheese Manicotti
 - Fettuccini Alfredo
 - Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad



Cost is \$22 per person (tip is included)

Email Jean Funk Jeano25@aol.com if you want to attend and include your name, number of attendees, and dinner choice. You can pay at the door.

This is a great chance to enjoy dinner with other family historians who love to listen to and tell stories of their family history.