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Schedule of Events

Mark your calendars now for the exciting Genealogy Friends events in 2019. 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:

May 18, 2019—"Go West, Putting Your Ancestors' Lives in Context" by Barbara Coakley

Future Events

May 20, 2019—**OneNote Users Group**—Group meets in the Genealogy Section of the library from 7:00 to 8:30 on the third Monday of each month.

May 21, 2019—**GenFriends Luncheon** at Macaroni Grill, 75 & Legacy at 12:30 pm email planotxgal@aol.com if you are planning on attending.

May 28, 2019—**Legacy Users Group**—Group meets in the Genealogy Section of the library on the fourth Tuesday of each month from 1:30—3:30 pm.

June 15, 2019—"Dating Old Photographs" by Betsy Mills

July 20, 2019—"Techniques & Strategies for More Effective Searching Online" by Bernard Meisner

August 17, 2019—"BYU Family History Technology Lab" by Debra Hadfield

September 28, 2019—All Day Workshop—Speaker is Debbie Parker Wayne

October 19, 2019—Panel of Experts –Bring your research questions

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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

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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Genealogy Education

All Day Workshop—September 28, 2019 GenFriends is presenting an all day workshop that focuses on using DNA in your family history research. Our speaker will be Debbie Parker Wayne, co author of *Genetic Genealogy in Practice*. Details will be available soon.

Collin College Class—Genealogy Getting Started will meet June 5-July 10 from 6:30-9pm at the Courtyard Campus. Instructor is Barbara Coakley. This class focuses on research methodology, planning and records including census, published records and vital records. <http://www.collin.edu/ce/>

Texas Institute of Genealogical Research June 10-14, 2019 at the Crowne Plaza, Austin, TX

<http://www.txsgs.org/2019-tigr/>

Dallas Genealogical Society 2019 Seminar Series "Their Day in Court" featuring Judy G Russell, JD, CG, CGL on August 3, 2019 at the downtown library <https://dallasgenealogy.com/dgs/meetings-events/seminars/2019-summer-seminar/>

FGS National Conference will be held August 21-24, 2019 in Washington, DC. <http://fgs.org/conferences/>

TxSGS 2019 Family History Conference will be held October 11-13, 2019 at the Omni Houston Hotel.

<http://www.txsgs.org/2019-conference/>

Tracing Our Roots Column

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.

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.

Flashback: Memories of Plano, 1957

By Brenda Burns Kellow

The Plano Star-Courier, Plano, Collin County, Texas
August 15, 1957, Volume 70, No. 14

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.

Miss Nancy Uland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Uland, won high honors at the Second District of the Texas Federation of Women's Clubs.

The W. E. Carrolls and son Curtis returned from Andrew Jackson's home with a pencil for the paper office.

Miss Betty Rogers of ETSU Commerce spent the weekend with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Rogers.

Members of the Carrie-Eva Hughston Sunday School Class of the First Methodist Church barbequed steak at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt Clem last Friday.

Baby daughter, Lynn was born July 17 to parents Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Claycomb at the McKinney City-County Hospital.

Miss Shirley Hill and Evelyn McIlhany of East Texas State Teachers in Commerce visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Frost of Plano.

Larry Plumlee, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Plumlee is at Princeton University.

J. C. Wells and son Jimmy of Renner visited last week at State University in Virginia where he is enrolled.

J. C. Wells recently finished a deep water well, 1170 ft deep, in Renner. He has a 1300 gallon overhead storage tank.

Funeral services were held for E. W. Trail, 68, of Tennessee. He was 68 years, 3 months and 27 days at the time of his passing. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Trail of Reech Grove, Tennessee. He married Dora Jacobs in 1910. Survivors are: wife, three daughters, and seven sons; Mrs. Leonard Bush, Mrs. Bill Wagoner, Mrs. Leonard Robinson, E. L. Trail, R. M. Trail, Wilburn Seymour, and Wadd Trail; Alzin Trail, Tony Trail; ten grandchildren.

Mayor David B. McCall, Jr., will speak at the Plano Rotarians Thursday night. President Claude J. Schexnayder presided. Rev. R. J. Fineout gave the invocation. Rev. Edgar L. Huffstutler led the singing and Miss Sherrie Garrett accompanied on the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. James Harrington returned today from a vacation at Lake Texoma.

Supt. and Mrs. E. A. Sigler are vacationing in Colorado.

Ray Graves presented an interesting program on the use of the lie detector machine at the Plano Lions Club

Arnold Hardin will conduct a gospel meeting at the Church of Christ on Aug. 18-Aug. 25. Song director is Charles Raper of Plano.

Mrs. E. M. Clem announced the Brownie Troop will have a weiner roast Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Rice Brown returned to work after a two week vacation. She works at Nathan White Department Store and he is a cashier at the Plano First National Bank.

George Henry Rick, Mrs. Major Neely's uncle, 74, passed away in Plainview August 1. Survivors are his wife; a son, Rev. Henry M. Rick; daughter Mrs. Arcath Bates of Krum; a niece, Mrs. Flossie Neely; four sisters, Mrs. Alba Anthony, and Mrs. H. C. McDermott, Mrs. Price Gaggie, Mrs. Dora Cowan, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

The Plano Chamber of Commerce will have a barbeque Monday night, Aug. 19 at 6:30 at the City Park. Thursday Study Club sponsors are Laurana Rice, Nancy Uland, and Sherrie Garrett. Others attending are Molly Newbill, Billy Jack McCutcheon and Butch Firebocker. Sam Morrison is the speaker. Chairman is Leon Dug-

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ger.

Miss Pat Hunter visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Clem and daughter Carolyn.

Homer Adams was named chairman of the special United Fund Campaign. Mayor David McCall's resignation was placed and accepted.

Virgil B. Watson, Allen Mayor, announced their water supply was approved from Dr. Henry A. Holle, at the Texas Department of Health. A sanitary survey made by Thomas P. Rogers of Austin merited a Class A rating.

Nine boys of the Broadhead Soft Ball Scout Team watched the Dallas Eagles pay San Antonio last week. Accompanying the boys were Mrs. R. A. Milrany and Mr. and Mrs. Broadhead and Randy. Heroes are: Rick Quisenberry, Alton Milrany, Gene Carson, Billy Don Fondren, Billy Perkins and David McCall.

p. 2 Miss Patricia Ziegler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ziegler, celebrates her two year birthday in August.

Dr. E. G. Pink of Frisco announced the Dedication of the Frisco Youth Center Friday night, August 16 at 7:30.

Mrs. Glenn Rogers will open a Kindergarten this fall in her home at 1515 15th St.

DISTRICT COURT

Divorce: New Suits: Betsy Bell Shatley vs. Dewey R. Shatley; Lula May Donelson and Jimmy Donelson vs Hubert O. D. Blasingame, damage; Mildred Seals vs George H. Seals, divorce.

Cases Disposed of: Elbert Garnet vs. A. Valle, judgement for defendant; Sam Smith et al vs Jamie Long and Kenneth, and Long Brothers Construction, settled.

Harley Ray Thompson, Individually and as next friend of Roberta R. Thompson vs John Truelove, judgement for plaintiff.

Emma Lee Myers vs Clifton F. Myers, divorce granted

Criminal:

The State of Texas vs Billy Joe Norris theft over \$50,000 in value, 4 years in penitentiary.

The following criminal cases were dismissed: L. B. Van Beyers

The State of Texas vs Billy T. Hurst.

The State of Texas vs Dennis Gunn.

The State of Texas vs Johnny Coppedge.

The State of Texas vs Joe Copeland.

The State of Texas vs Finis Howell.

The State of Texas vs George Trimble.

The State of Texas vs L. D. Beaty.

The State of Texas vs Ellis Carl Hendrix.

The State of Texas vs D. L. Cummings.

The State of Texas vs Mack Hopkins, Jr.

The State of Texas vs W. B. Ewing.

The State of Texas vs Floyd H. Price.

The State of Texas vs Judson D. Wallace.

The State of Texas vs Archie Henderson.

The State of Texas vs Howard Henderson.

The State of Texas vs Orbie Gene O'Neal

The State of Texas vs Charles Jackson

The State of Texas vs Robert Holt

The State of Texas vs Leon Flatt.

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- p. 3 Mayor David B. McCall, Jr., announced the intention to issue time warrants to finance street improvements.
Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Stubbs will visit Nassau in the Bahamas.
Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Kuykendall and son Jim returned home from New York. Their granddaughter Patty Muly lay came home with them to visit.
Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cox, Jr. and sons Dennie and Jack of Utah, visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Cox, Sr., his brother Keith Cox and wife and sister, Mrs. A. T. Mantooth.
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Harris have returned from a vacation in Florida.
Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Carroll and son Curtis returned home from Tennessee and Arkansas.
L. G. Gatlin, 84, of Parker visited in Plano last week.
- p. 4 Membership grows to 184 members in the Plano Athletic Club . Due to the large number of names, you will have to go to page 4 of the newspaper for the names. Sorry.
Billy Farrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Farrell, left for duty Saturday night at Camp Belvoir, in Virginia, after spending 12 days with his parents, relatives and friends.
Miss Carrie Hughston continues after becoming ill last weekend.
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Rogers and daughter, Rosemary spent Sunday in Waco with their son-in-law and daughter, Lt. and Mrs. Robert McKensie and son Danny.
- p. 5 The first phase of the remodeling of the Veterans Hospital in McKinney is due to get underway by August 15. Assist. Mgr. K. P. O'Brian said the job of replacing roofs on 52 of the 140 buildings will be done by a Fort Worth contractor.
Jack Haggard, a valued employee of the Humble Oil & Refining Company of Houston was in Plano last week visiting his mother, Mrs. Bertha Haggard. He was in route to Chicago on business.
T. H. Billy Williams and Floyd Jolly met Tuesday for the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges held at S. M. U.
Mrs. Nora Uselton is improving after a recent illness.
Miss Karen Lusk of Jacksboro is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Vince Duke.
- p. 6 Mr. and Mrs. Duck Moore and daughters recently moved to Richardson from Plano.
Mrs. Altha (Perkins) Robinson, wife of Quenton Robinson will receive her B. S. Degree from NTSC in Denton. She majored in Elementary Education.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Will Vines and C. A. Skiles, Jr., left Saturday by car for a two week vacation in Colorado.
Monday evening, August 12, the Fidelis Class of the First Baptist Church, entertained their husbands and children with an ice cream supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bernard Landford. Mrs. Morris Farrell hosted the games.
- p. 7 Mr. and Mrs. John Ivy and daughter Pat, and Mrs. Leo Faries returned home after visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Faries and son Darrell Ray in San Diego, Calif.
The officers of the Junior II Class of the First Methodist Church elected officers. They are: Randy Broadhead, Pamela Skaggs, Mary Ann Erwin, Mike Harrell, Judy Hamilton, Richard Grey, Billy Perkins and Henry Harrell.
- p. 8 The Plano Chamber of Commerce announces it has 97 members and growing.
Plano's Fire Marshal Charles Painter discusses commercial fire hazards.
Rev. E. G. Huffstutler, pastor of the First Methodist Church, Jim Murrell and Miss Frances Littrell are spending the week at Mt. Sequoyah, in Fayetteville, Ark.

Collin County Timeline

By Joy Gough

- May 1, 1889 Contract signed that would supply McKinney with electric light
- May 1, 1914 Frisco Fire Department created
- May 2, 1888 Lavon post office established
- May 2, 1889 McKinney High School graduated its first class of 3
- May 3, 1848 Post office at Buckner closed
- May 3, 1948 Tornado hit Princeton & southern part of McKinney, including the cotton mill, killing three
- May 4, 1857 Farmersville post office established
- May 4, 1922 Nurses Training school incorporated at McKinney hospital
- May 5, 1845 Cynthia Ann Hunn born-said to be the first white girl born in Collin County
- May 6, 1848 The first store was opened on the square in McKinney
- May 6, 1886 McKinney passed an ordinance against stock grazing on the public square
- May 7, 1861 McKinney Confederate soldiers went into Indian Territory to protect the forts
- May 7, 1894 Fire destroyed public school building in Plano
- May 8, 1851 Spring Creek post office discontinued, James C. Vance, postmaster
- May 8, 1902 McKinney voted to go "dry"
- May 9, 1927 Tornado struck Nevada killing 27 persons
- May 10, 1940 Josephine dedicated a new school building
- May 11, 1888 Post office established at Lucas
- May 12, 1891 Viney post office discontinued
- May 12, 1903 Plano city school building burned
- May 13, 1846 Captain Andrew Stapp's Company, Mounted Volunteers called into service by the United States
- May 13, 1926 First airmail letter received in McKinney
- May 14, 1865 First Baptist Church of Farmersville organized
- May 14, 1892 Altoga Baptist Church started
- May 14, 1894 Price post office discontinued, Alexander Daniels, postmaster
- May 15, 1899 First meeting of the Plano School Board
- May 15, 1940 Alla School graduates 6
- May 16, 1873 Melissa post office established, Highland post office discontinued
- May 16, 1904 Rural mail delivery for Allen
- May 17, 1908 Protracted meeting started at Methodist Church in Plano
- May 18, 1903 First Presbyterian Church, Celina, organized
- May 19, 1903 First poll tax enacted in Collin County
- May 20, 1857 Sugar Hill renamed Farmersville
- May 21, 1851 Millwood post office organized
- May 21, 1896 A tornado hit Sherman killing and wounding over 200
- May 22, 1846 Buckner post office established
- May 22, 1893 Prosper post office established
- May 23, 1908 Central Christian Church in Frisco organized
- May 23, 1940 National Cotton Week held in McKinney
- May 24, 1872 Stephen Ballew executed in McKinney the first legal hanging in Texas
- May 25, 1895 Climax post office established
- May 26, 1921 M. T. McGarr Boarding House on N. Tennessee Street in McKinney burned
- May 27, 1940 Doty High School graduates 11
- May 28, 1859 McKinney incorporated
- May 28, 1973 Audie Murphy Memorial dedicated in Farmersville
- May 29, 1883 Anna & Culleoka post offices established
- May 30, 1918 First fire truck purchased in Frisco
- May 30, 1946 V. A. Hospital dedicated in McKinney
- May 31, 1848 U. S. Post Office Department changed the name of the county seat from Buckner to McKinney
- May 31, 1919 Rotary Club formed in McKinney

The Genealogy Proof Standard

By Barbara Coakley

As genealogists, our goal is to accurately reconstruct our ancestors' lives. The Genealogy Proof Standard (GPS) was developed by the Board of Certification of Genealogists in 2000 and refined in 2014. "Standards are best practices for genealogy" and aren't limited to professionals who are doing research for clients. Even those of us that are exploring our family history for our own pleasure should focus on quality research. "Standards enable all genealogists to come as close as possible to what actually happened in history."

To reach a sound conclusion, we need to meet all five components of the GPS:

1. Reasonably exhaustive research—A research plan focuses your search. Think about what records might answer your research question, determine if they exist for the place and time you are searching and locate them. Research guides, FamilySearch Wiki, and resources from local genealogical societies or institutions can help locate records.

Focusing only on Ancestry.com, Familysearch.org, or FindAGrave is not an exhaustive search. Not all records are online, you might need to visit an institution or hire a researcher to get more records. Reading journal articles about problems like the one you are researching or for the same area and time period is a great way to identify sources and learn about approaches for planning your research. Consulting fellow genealogists can help spur ideas; GenFriends meetings present the opportunity to do this.

2. Complete and accurate source citations—The most important reason to cite your sources is so you can locate the record or information again. There is nothing more frustrating than finding something in your files, needing more information about it and not remembering where you found it.

Citations also help others evaluate the sources you referenced in your research and tells others that you did complete, careful research. Think about the trees on Ancestry.com with no sources, how much do you rely on them? You don't want your research to be in that category.

3. Thorough analysis and correlation—It is important to review the records you find carefully to determine what they are telling you, don't just pick up one piece of information and move on.

Begin by evaluating the source you found—why was the record created, who created it, when was it created. If it isn't an original record do your best to find the original and review it. If you are using a published source, check to see if the author cited their sources. Make sure you understand any terms used in the record, you might need to refer to a legal or medical dictionary. Are you reading the handwriting accurately? Review other records written by the same person looking for words that you can read. Look at how letters are formed and sentences constructed. Are all of the records written in the same format? There are reference sources available to assist with reading old handwriting.

Compare this record to others you have found do they fit together. This step is critical if there are multiple people of the same name in the location your are searching. If your ancestor is missing from a source determine why. Are the records complete? Are there other sources that might have the same information?

4. Resolution of conflicting evidence—Compare the information you found to determine if there are any conflicts. If you find two records that don't agree you need to determine why. Is there a reason that one of the records might be incorrect? Is there a convincing reason why one record is accurate? Does the information fit with other information you found.

5. Soundly written conclusion based on the strongest evidence—Don't stop with searching and finding records. Research reports aren't just for professional researchers to present to their clients. There is great satisfaction in completing a project with a written conclusion. Writing a research report is how I review my search results for completeness, it helps me identify conflicting evidence, provides ideas for other sources to locate, and evaluate sources. When life gets in the way and I have to put my research aside for awhile, a carefully written research report helps me resume my research when things calm down and I can get back to genealogy. Sharing what you found is a great way to interest other family members and collaborate with other researchers. A website, blog post, family newsletter or writing an article for a genealogy society newsletter or quarterly are all options for sharing your research results and conclusions.

We spend a lot of time and energy on our family history, make the effort count by following the GPS.

Oldest Family in Frisco

By Barbara Battocchio Brogdon

John Lenox Newman and his wife, Catherine, came to the Independent Republic of Texas in a covered wagon. In the 1840s, the Republic of Texas was offering Homesteads; this was before Texas became a state in December 1845. Homesteads were offered to anyone who would stay!

After the Newmans obtained a tract of land in an area that would later become Frisco, they camped in their covered wagon until a home could be built. There were no railroads yet, so supplies had to be brought in by wagon from a trading post (the current-day Dallas), which was several days' travel away from their land. Cedar Springs was the main campground for visitors to the trading post. The horses or mules could be fed and watered before their return to the Newman homestead.

Six children were born to John and Catherine, three girls and three boys. The girls, Margaret, Mary and Sarah, all married local boys, family names of White, St John, and Robertson. The two youngest boys, James and Stephen, died in their teens after swimming in the "Ole Newman Hole" which is now Lake Lewisville. It was thought that the boys died of 'The Fever'.

The oldest child, Nathan, married Martha Frances Cox who came from Pottscamp, Mississippi. They had only one child, James (Jim) Reeder Newman, who was just seven months old when Nathan died of blood poisoning as a result of an injury. Martha and her son lived with John Newman, and Martha cared for her father-in-law until his death in 1889. At that time, Martha and Jim inherited John Newman's blackland farm. She purchased another tract of land in the area and paid for it with things produced on the farm, such as butter and eggs.

After finishing his education in Waco and marrying Lula Neal from Lott, Texas, Jim returned to his home where they lived and cared for his mother. Jim Reeder Newton appreciated the value of good schools and teachers. He donated land and money to build a two-room schoolhouse, Robertson School, located west of Frisco near Highway 720 and what is now Twin Falls Road. (Previously Newman Road.) He also built the first brick house in Frisco, Texas. It is located at Fifth and Hickory Street. Construction began in 1914 and was completed in 1918; taking four years to build due to the scarcity of materials during World War I.

John Lenox Newton's descendants may be the oldest family still living in Frisco, Texas.

Source: "**Frisco: The First One Hundred Years**" by Steve Quinn

