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Schedule of Events

Mark your calendars now for the exciting Genealogy Friends events. Saturday seminars are held at W.O. Haggard Library, 2501 Coit Rd, Plano, TX from 10:15 to Noon.

September:

September 16, 2023—Virtual All Day Seminar— Our speaker will be Cheri Hudson Passey.

Future Events:

October 5, 2023—Zoom Meeting—Genealogy Round Table— We are a group of genealogy enthusiasts who get together to share information and help each other on the first Thursday of each month. Email newsletter@genealogyfriends.org for zoom link.

October 10, 2023—In Person—DNA Special Interest Group

October 21, 2023—Hybrid Meeting—”After They Are Gone: What Probate Records Tell Us,” by Barbara Coakley

October 25, 2023—Annual Dinner Meeting & Election of Board of Directors

November 18, 2023—Hybrid Meeting—”Researching Graphically: Expanding Your Research With Timelines, Charts, Spreadsheets, and Diagrams,” by Ari Wilkins.

Check out the events on our Facebook page for more info on the topics and speakers for each months program—<https://www.facebook.com/GenealogyFriends>.

To join our mailing list email & add to your contacts - newsletter@genealogyfriends.org.

Dues are Due October 1, 2023—Please Support Gen Friends by joining.

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Genealogy Friends

Purpose: To educate members and library patrons in doing genealogical research and to support the Genealogy Center of W.O. Haggard, Jr. Library through donations.

Goal: To expand the library collection to meet the needs of this genealogically diverse community.

Genealogy Friends of Plano Libraries, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation. All donations are tax deductible.

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The annual membership meeting is held each October.



Genfriends Membership

Our membership year runs from October 1 to September 30. Individual memberships are \$30 a year and family memberships are \$50.

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

Members have access to handouts from our free monthly seminars.

[Click here to visit the membership page on our website.](#)

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DNA Special Interest Group

The DNA Special Interest Group meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the Genealogy Section of Haggard Library from 7-8:30 pm. The October meeting will be on Tuesday, October 10th.

We are using Diahn Southard's book *Your DNA Guide the book* to guide our discussions. We are working on pages 28-44 which are about choosing your research goal.

We are learning together about using DNA to further our genealogy research.

Bring your questions or topics you want to learn about to the meeting.

Annual Meeting & Election

Genealogy Friends Annual Dinner Meeting and election of Board of Directors will be October 25, 2023. Details will be available soon.

An email was sent to members on September 15th with a link to the ballot and instructions to vote by mail. You can also return the ballot in person at the Annual Dinner Meeting.

Please take the time to return the ballot.

If you did not receive the email please notify newsletter@genealogyfriends.org

Local Genealogy Events—Save the Dates

Dallas Genealogical Society Fall Seminar—Michael Strauss, “The Twentieth Century Wars: Military Records and Research” September 23, 2023 <https://dallasgenealogy.org/meetings-events/seminars/2023-fall-seminar/>

Library Lock In will be October 20, 2023. Stay tuned for more information.

Great Family Search presented by the Family History Center in Plano will be held on October 28, 2023. Register on their website <http://greatfamilysearch.com/>

Research At The Library will be on December 9, 2023. Experienced members will be available to help with research planning and answer questions. Join us at W.O. Haggard Library from 10-1.

Genealogy Friends 2023 Donations to W.O. Haggard Library

Thanks to Diana Gartner for working with the library and managing the purchase and donation of books valued at \$1519.60.

German Genealogy: Finding German Records

Black American Prisoners of War held by the British Royal Navy during the War of 1812

Searching for Your Chinese Birth Family

From NGS:

Research in Alabama

Research in Arizona

Research in District of Columbia

Research in Maryland

Research in Nevada

Research in New Mexico

Research in Ohio

Research in Oregon

Research in Texas

GEORGIA

Franklin County GA Superior Court Minutes 1814-1818, v.1

Franklin County GA Superior Court Minutes 1821-1824, v.2

Franklin County GA Superior Court Minutes 1825-1829, v.3

Franklin County GA Superior Court Minutes 1830-1834, v.4

Muscogee County GA Superior Court Minutes 1838-1840 v.1 pt 1

Muscogee County GA Superior Court Minutes 1838-1840 v.1 pt 2

Muscogee County GA Superior Court Minutes 1838-1840 v.1 pt 3

Muscogee County GA Superior Court Minutes 1840-1841 v.2 pt 1

Muscogee County GA Superior Court Minutes 1840-1841 v.2 pt 2

NEW YORK

Baptism Record of the Clarkstown Reformed Church, West Nyack, Rockland County, NY 1749-1899

Baptism Record of St Thomas Lutheran Church, Churchtown, Columbia County, NY 1760-1899

Baptism Record of St. Peter's Lutheran Church (called Stone Church) Rhinebeck, Dutchess County, NY 1733-1899

Baptism Record of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Schoharie, Schoharie County, NY 1728-1899

Baptism record Record of St. Paul's Lutheran Church of Wurtemberg, Rhinebeck, Dutchess County, NY 1760-1899

Baptism Record of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Manorton, Columbia County, NY 1785-1872

Baptism Record of Schoharie Reformed Church, Schohaire, Schohaire County, NY 1731-1894

Baptism Record of Reformed Church, Rhinebeck, Dutchess County, NY 1731-1899

Baptism Record of Helderburg Reformed Church, Guilderland Center, Albany County, NY 1786-1860

Donations to the Library, continued

Baptism Record of Gilead Lutheran Church, Brunswick, Rensselaer County, NY 1777-1886
Baptism Record of Reformed Church of Germantown, Columbia County, NY 1729-1898
Baptismal Record of German Flats Reformed Church, Herkimer County, NY 1763-1899
Baptism Records of First Poughkeepsie Reformed Church, Dutchess County, New York 1716-1913
Baptism Record of Gallatin Reformed Church, Gallatinville, Columbia County, NY 1748-1899
Baptism Record Reformed Church Coxsackie, Greene County, NY 1738-1899
Baptism Record of Reformed Church Claverack, Columbia County, NY 1727-1899
Baptismal record of Christ Lutheran Church Germantown, Columbia County, NY 1746-1899
Baptism Record Linlithgo Reformed Church, Livingston, Columbia County, NY 1722-1899
Marriage Record Albany Reformed Church, Albany, Albany County, NY 1683-1809
Baptism Record Albany Reformed Church, Albany, Albany County, NY 1683-1804

Cemetery in West Texas

By Barbara Brogdon

Originally published on [Traces of Texas Facebook page](#)

Here's a Texas history mystery. Traces of Texas reader Marla Wojtek owns a ranch 10 miles west of Van Horn in far west Texas, at Alamoore. When she bought the Garren Ranch in 1996 it came with this small cemetery. Unfortunately, the names on the wooden crosses are no longer visible. Marla maintains the cemetery and puts flowers on the graves when she visits, but she has no idea who established the cemetery or who is buried there and asks if anybody out there knows anything about it. It saddens me that these people lived their lives, were obviously loved and cared for, and yet their names are lost, and it would please me to no end if somehow we could reunite these crosses with their namesakes.

Thank you, Marla! we love a good history mystery and hope that somebody can tell us something.



Changes at Ancestry.com

If you have taken a DNA test at Ancestry and don't have an Ancestry account you no longer have access to some of the tools to work with your DNA. There is a new membership level available to gain access for \$29.99 per year. This gives you access to the tools for any accounts you manager. Without a membership you will no longer be able to view trees of your matches or use the ThruLines tool to view common ancestors. More information is available on their website https://support.ancestry.com/s/article/AncestryDNA-and-Memberships?language=en_US

Ancestry is rolling out a new Fan Chart view for family trees. This is a slow roll out so you might not have it yet. Go to a tree, on the left is a tool bar. The first tool is View. A new option is being added for Fan View.

Tree viewing options × You can turn icons on/off. Click on the three dots on the tool bar and choose Tree Viewing Options. A window will open and you can select which DNA match to focus on and you can turn on icons to show ThruLines, Possible DNA Matches and Connected DNA Matches.

Vertical view ∨

DNA ^

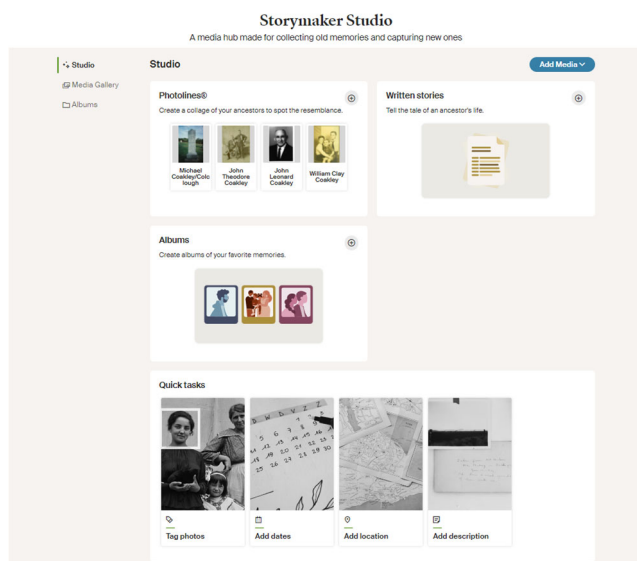
Show DNA relationships using: ⓘ
William Coakley's DNA Test ∨

ThruLines® icons ⓘ

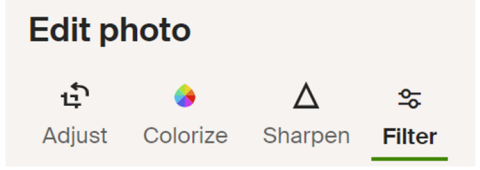
Possible DNA matches ⓘ

Connected DNA matches ⓘ

In May, Ancestry added StoryMaker Studio on the website. Click on the Gallery icon on the toolbar. This is similar to the Memories page on FamilySearch. You can add photos, audio recordings, stories and create albums to group items.



Select a photo and edit it. You can colorize, sharpen, rotate, and filter the photo. More information is available



available https://support.ancestry.com/s/article/Storymaker-Studio?language=en_US

Circles are now available to create groups to collaborate in Ancestry. Click on the down arrow next to your name in the top right of the screen. On the drop down window click on Circles. Click on +New Circle to add a circle. Enter a name and description. Once the circle is created you can add members. There is a link that you can send to people who don't have an account so they can participate in the circle. Here is a link for more information https://support.ancestry.com/s/article/Ancestry-Circles?language=en_US

