



Genealogy Friends News

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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.

December:

Future Events:

January 4, 2024—Round Table Zoom Discussion Group— Zoom meeting from 7-9 pm

January 9, 2024—DNA Special Interest Group—Hybrid —7 to 8:30 pm

January 20, 2024—Hybrid Meeting—”A Nose for News: Sniffing Out Stories in Newspapers” by Mary Roddy

February 3, 2024—Research At The Library—In Person at Haggard Library 10:30 am-1 pm

February 17, 2024—Hybrid Meeting—”The Fair Court: Records of the Chancery Court” by Judy Russell

March 16, 2024—Hybrid Meeting—”A New Strategy for Brick Walls” by Kim Richardson

April 20, 2024—Hybrid Meeting—”The Value of Transcribing Historical Records” by LaBrenda Garrett-Nelson

May 11, 2024—Research At The Library—In Person at Haggard Library 10:30 am to 1 pm

May 18, 2024—Hybrid Meeting—A Foundational Step in Research Strategy-What is the Research Question?” by Emily Richardson

June 15, 2024—Hybrid Meeting—”AI and Genealogy” by Thomas MacEntee

Check out the events on our Website— <https://www.genealogyfriends.org>

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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.

Gen Friends 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.

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

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Research At The Library

This event will be held each quarter from 10:30-1 at WO Haggard Library, 2501 Coit Road, Plano, TX

February 3, 2024

May 11, 2024

August 10, 2024

November 9, 2024

- Bring a research project to work on. The library is a FamilySearch affiliate library where you can access restricted records you can't get from home.
- Experienced genealogists will be on hand to help with your research questions.
- Bounce ideas for knocking down a brick wall off fellow researchers
- Use the large format scanning equipment.

Local Genealogy Events—Save the Dates

Gen Friends All Day Seminar—September 21, 2024—”Research: From Planning to Writing” Speakers include Mark Lowe presenting “Ready-Set-Plan! Developing a One-Step Research Plan.” Watch for more information coming soon.

Dallas Genealogical Society 2024 Seminar Series:

- April 13, 2024 “Genealogy Jackhammers: Methods for Breaking Brick Walls” with Tom Jones
- July 27, 2024 “The Legacy of Forced Removal: Finding Formerly Enslaved & Indigenous Kin” with Nicka Sewell-Smith
- September 28, 2024 “Autosomal Analysis: Tools for Finding Your Ancestors” with Blaine Bettinger

Genealogy Friends 2024 Events

Saturday Seminars	DNA Group	Roundtable	Other Events
Jan 20- A Nose for News: Sniffing Out Stories in Newspapers	Jan 9	Jan 4	
Feb 17- The Fair Court: Records of the Chancery Court	Feb 13	Feb 1	Feb 3 - Research At Library
Mar 16-A New Strategy for Brick Walls	Mar 12	Mar 1	
Apr 20-The Value of Transcribing Historical Records	Apr 9	Apr 4	
May 18-A Foundational Step in Research Strategy-What is the Research Question	May 14	May 2	May 11- Research At Library
June 15- AI and Genealogy	June 11	June 6	
July 20-Working with an Online Family Tree	July 9	July 4	
Aug 17-50 Family History Writing Tips in 50 Minutes	Aug 13	Aug 1	Aug 10-Research At Library
Sep 21 - All Day Seminar - Virtual - Research: From Planning to Writing	Sep 10	Sep 5	
Oct 19 - Topic TBD	Oct 8	Oct 3	Annual Dinner Meeting
Nov 16 - Topic TBD	Nov 12	Nov 7	Nov 9-Research At Library
Dec 21 - Show and Tell	Dec 10	Dec 5	