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## Schedule of Events

Mark your calendars now for the exciting Genealogy Friends events in 2018. 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:

**January 19, 2019**—"Digging Up Deeds" by Barbara Coakley

### Future Events

**February 16, 2019**—"Digital Newspaper Sites" by Stacy Davis from Richardson Library

**February 18, 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.

**February 26, 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.

**March 18, 2019**—"Names" by Carol Beck

**April 13, 2019**—**Note the date change due to early voting at the Library** - "Courthouse Research" by Pat Gordon.

Send suggestions for programs or speakers to Barbara Coakley at [newsletter@genealogyfriends.org](mailto:newsletter@genealogyfriends.org)

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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 on E Bay

Recently I bought a post card sent to my Grandfather while he was at college at University of Missouri, a lead pencil that was an advertisement for my Great-Grandfather's mill, a matchbook from the funeral home owned by my Great Grandmother's family, a water color of the main street and history of the small town where my husband grew up, and a number of post cards from towns where my ancestors lived. All of this was on E Bay. There are thousands of old pictures, maps, letters, year books, and much more available for sale, it is really exciting when one of them is related to my family.

You can setup saved searches. When something new is added that matches your search criteria it is included in a daily email. I have searches setup for my family names and the locations where my ancestors' lived.

To setup an alert, create an account, enter a search term in the Search box. When the results are displayed, click on the Save this Search. To edit your saved searches, click on MyEbay and Saved Searches.

Try it and see what gems you might be able to find.

### 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/](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](mailto: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  
July 18, 1957, Volume 70, No. 10

Compiled by Brenda Burns Kellow, 2018

*Tracing Our Roots* weekly genealogy column [http://starlocalmedia.com/opinion/blogs/blog\\_7/](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.*

The Murrell family, owners of the hardware store, opens Kiddies Korner for tots.

Mrs. Hasford donated another pencil to editor's collection after returning from Jamestown, Va.

Jack Harris, Jr., and his bride the former Sadie Dunn, opened Sinclair Service Station after returning from their honeymoon in Colo.

R. J. "Bud" Perkins is an accomplished clown. He and his wife live in Southwood Estates.

Mrs. Fred S. Donaldson owns the Town and Country Shop. The formal opening is Saturday.

Thomas Johnson, well-known McKinney banker, died after spending time in the hospital.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gaby included their daughter-in-law Mrs. C. F. Watson and her sister-in-law Mrs. George Record, and two daughters Jeannie and Mary of Phoenix.

The Post Office moved to a new location on 16<sup>th</sup> Street just off K Avenue. Miss Ida Lee Carlisle gave a tour of the building. C. H. Fouche, owner of the old building on 15<sup>th</sup> Street, will renovate it soon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wright of Frisco are visiting with their niece Mrs. Nelson Patrick in Plano.

The Plano Lions horse show is scheduled for Sept. 6-7. Lion Joe Lewandos is manager of the Horse Show.

Mr. and Mrs. Foy Thomas of Electra visited Miss Eva Hughston in Plano.

Mrs. Lizzie Nell McClure of Allen visited Miss Eva Hughston in Plano.

Talmadge Uland is now home from St. Paul Hospital in Dallas.

The Bell View Edition will open soon announced owner-developer Henry R. Hoffman, Jr. and be helped by David B. McCall. It will face N Avenue going to P Avenue and joining 18<sup>th</sup> Street.

Lester T. Potter will succeed D. A. Hulcy as president of Lone Star Gas.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pearson of Plano visited in Frisco on Friday.

Mrs. Myrtle Wylie of Temple is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ken Frazier.

The First National Bank will celebrate 70 years with an open house on Saturday, July 27. It originated in 1887 with George Bowman as president, T. C. Jasper as cashier. Hutson Rice is president, and Mr. Dowell is chairman of the board. Directors are Mr. Dowell, Mr. Rice, Mr. Goodman, Frank Beverly, Allen Clark and Frank Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Jarrell Davis, and son Jarry, attended the funeral services for Mr. Davis' father William Herman Davis of Memphis, age 64. Survivors are his wife; two daughters Mrs. W. A. Rolen, Mrs. A. V. Shannon and Jarry Davis.

p. 2 Miss Paula Sue Christian and Ronnie Orville Brewton were married Friday night, July 12, at the First Baptist Church by Rev. Arthur Fineout. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Lonnie Christian and the late Mr. Christen.

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The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Brewton. The bride was given in marriage by her brother Curtis H. Christian. The couple will honeymoon at Lake Murray.

Miss Dorothy Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Moore, married Jack Noel Cannaday, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fisher of Frisco and J. B. Cannaday of Ariz.

Miss Barbara Hedgcoxe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hedgcoxe, married David Matthews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Matthews of Frisco, on July 3.

On July 4, Miss Marilyn Collinsworth married Joe Rollins in Dallas. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Collinsworth of Plano. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Rollins of Sulphur Springs.

Mrs. Clyde Cooke and son Rusty just returned from their visit in Hugo, Okla. with their mother and grandmother Mrs. M. L. Braudrick.

W. D. Wiser sold 12 purebred Aberdeen-Angus cows and three registered Angus bulls to the Lazy S Angus Ranch at Graham, Texas.

p. 3 Mr. and Mrs. Jarrell Davis thank everyone for their kindness during their time of sorrow.

Mrs. J. T. Coats and son Bobby of Dallas visited the newspaper office this week to thank us. Her husband recently passed away. He was assistant post master in Plano. Her son Bobby is studying on his Masters at SMU. Her other son Gary is also at SMU. Both majored in Electrical Engineering.

p. 4 Rev. Harold Reynolds, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Grandview and Rev. Ben Mosley Okla. City will preside at the Revival services July 24.

John Robert Brockman, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edward Brockman, died September 25 at City-Council Hospital. Funeral services were held at the First Methodist Church of McKinney. Besides his parents, he is survived by his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. John Watson of McKinney and Mrs. Imogene Brockman of McKinney.

Mrs. Cecile Phillips, aka Bee, is executive director of Chisholm Trail Girl Scouts.

Thomas A. Johnson, 83, former president of Collin County National Bank died Sunday while in the hospital. Survivors are his wife and three sons, DeVerle Johnson, F. M. Johnson, and L. Page Johnson; a sister Mrs. Josie Whiteside and four grandchildren. Burial was in Pecan Grove, McKinney.

Kyle Hooper of Plano, Area V State Vice President is preparing for the State Future Farmers Convention on July 17-19. Others attending are Raymond Kinney, Jim Lewis, Jerry Don Anderson, John Brigham and L. D. Cason, advisor.

Pvt. Harold T. Robinson and wife Mary completed eight weeks of basic training with the 4<sup>th</sup> Armored Division at Fort Hood, Tex. in mid-July.

Many attend the North Texas Youth Conference at the Texoma Presbyterian Encampment from July 14-20. Delegates are Miss Judith Landers and Mary Ann Buster. Rev. Frank Brooks serves as councilor of the camp.

p. 5 Tom Shields of Plano is now an ace pitcher for Karge Junior College. Joe Raines contributed four runs.

A group of Plano businessmen enjoyed a two day fishing trip to the Texas Power and Light Co. Lake. Attending were Boyd Williams, Nathan White, Alex Schell, Jr., Dr. J. H. Porterfield, Leon Dugger, T.H. 'Bill' Williams, E. A. Sigler, John Broadhead and Jack Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lyngge visited Daggett & Ramsdale Corp., owner of the Dorothy Perkins Products, Inc. Also attending was Mrs. Naomi Lane. They attended the Broadway Production of "Happy Hunting" with Ethel Merman.

Edward Andrews, 75, a cotton and grain buyer of Wylie, died last Sunday. Services were held at the First Methodist Church in Wylie, and officiated by Rev. Roy Patton. Andrews, born Dec. 31, 1881, died in Ft. Worth in the home of his daughter, Mrs. C. B. Walters. He married Miss Maude Williams in 1903. He will be

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buried after a Masonic service at Mills Cemetery in Garland.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Curry heard recording of son Cpl. Addison Curry in Fulda, Germany. He graduated Plano High School in 1953.

p. 6 Mrs. Morace Farrell underwent surgery at St. Paul Hospital Monday, and is recovering nicely.

The First Baptist Church Fidelis Class of the First Baptist Church July 8 at the home of Mrs. E. L. Trail. Mrs. E. L. Trail was cohost. The teacher is Mrs. Foy Lemons and Mrs. G. W. Etheridge was a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Love returned from their trip in East Texas on July 13.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Wilson are spending two weeks in Penn.

Talmadge is recovering after an illness. He was helped by Lilly Pearl and Larry.

The family of Ricky Holbrook, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Holbrook, thank you for everything after his passing.

Mrs. J. K. P. Barnes thanks everyone for their help during her illness.

p. 7 Mrs. J. K. P. Barnes left St. Paul Hospital for her home in East Plano

Leighton Bush of Houston spent the Fourth with his uncles E. L. and R. M. Trail, and Mrs. Betty J. Waggoner. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bush of Manchester, Tenn.

p. 8 Chamber of Commerce elected vice president, Arthur F. Chance. After Mrs. Maurine Hendricks resigned, they elected as Secretary Mrs. Elwood Logan. After Perry Bolin's resignation, they elected Frank Adams as director.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Childress recently moved to Plano with their two children Linda Sue, 10, and Darlene, 3. Mrs. Childress was reared in Plano.

Weldon Owens of the Dallas Times Herald visited in Plano on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ken Frazier recently moved to Plano. Mrs. Frazier is the former Miss Zelda Smith of Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Murrell have completed moving into their new store, Murrell's Hardware. Their former location will be known as Kiddies Korner.

Dr. James L. Sandlin will be the evangelist for the First Christian Church Revival, assisted by Rev. D. C. Duncan of Frisco.

Mrs. Johnny Covington thanked everyone for their kindness during her illness.

Mrs. Kate Gillis, native of Giles County, Tenn., died after coming to Collin County 66 years ago. She celebrated her 76<sup>th</sup> birthday last Sunday. She was the widow of W. P. Gillis who died in 1930. Services were held at the Nevada Baptist Church.

The J. C. Handley Seed Co. processing plant at Belt Line and Plano Road burned Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Collinsworth and sons recently returned from Knott's Berry Farm in Calif.

Work began paving P Avenue from 14<sup>th</sup> Street north is now in progress. This modern street when finished will be 36 ft. wide or 33 1/3 ft. wider than the normal street which is 27 ft. The street borders Southwood Estates on the West [really the East] and will eventually join 18<sup>th</sup> Street which borders the Belle View million dollar home development addition. The street is expected to be the most widely traveled streets in future years.

## Hospital Mix Up or DNA?

By Barbara Battocchio Brogdon

If there hadn't been a strong family resemblance, I would have been sure my older daughter was part of a hospital mix-up. She was born wide awake, smiling, and was the darling of the nurses. We were blessed with a beautiful, healthy child.

As Kimberly grew, I began to wonder if this could truly be my little girl. Most of my life I was a shy, quiet child who loved to read books and look at the columns of numbers in my dad's engineering books. I had friends, of course, but tended to be something of an introvert. Kimberly, however, was a chatterbox, knew every kid at school, won contests for her art in grammar school, and hated arithmetic. By second grade she decided that she was finished with her education. "I came to school to learn how to read, and I know how to read, so I'm done." She announced.

DNA tests have since proven that Kimberly is my daughter. So, how can we explain strong differences in behavior, hobbies and profession? Does any of this come from our DNA, or can it be explained by a person's environment?

It can be inspiring to learn of families where there are generations of doctors, musicians, veterinarians, artists, and so forth. Are these exceptions? How do most of us choose/find our passions? A special teacher, a friend's influence?

After going through some generational similarities in my own family, I really think the DNA must be a strong factor, but not the only one. Kimberly is now a chef with her own business, and I have always hated to cook. Happily, we do share a love of dogs, reading, and of anything retro or vintage. If it's old, weathered, or comes from the 1960s or earlier, we snap it up.

One of my nephews also inherited the 'junk' gene, and he married a lovely woman who shares his affinity for rusty old treasures. My brother is not interested in them at all. Our parents grew up in the depression and always wanted new, not hand-me-downs. Likely, their early environment ruled their decisions.

My dad's mother was quite mechanically inclined, and he often told me that she repaired anything/everything that ever broke down. That might explain the fact that for three more generations, there are mechanical engineers or wizards in the family. Nonni passed this gene along to my dad and brother, plus my younger daughter, Christine; who, with no prompting or assistance from anyone else, began taking apart toasters and radios at the ripe old age of three.

There are other connections that were fun to look at. Enjoyable pastimes like a love of art from a great-grandmother, love of fashion and style from a great aunt, and a few personality traits that might be best described as 'difficult'.

How many threads of professions, inclinations, hobbies, and passion can you identify in your family tree?