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Saturday Seminars

Mark your calendars now for the exciting Genealogy Friends events in 2012. Meetings are held in the Program Room at the Haggard Library, 2501 Coit Rd., Plano, TX from 10:15 to 12:30:

Today's Topic:

October 20, 2012—Join us to learn about the Genealogy Collections at the Haggard Library and the McKinney Library. Speakers will be Cheryl Smith and Susan Kusterback.

Future Topics

November 17, 2012—All Day Workshop—Lloyd Bockstruck is our speaker—Held at Plano Bible Church, 1900 Shiloh Rd, Plano, TX. Topics will be Court Orders and Court Minutes, Substitutes for Birth and Death Records, Pitfalls in Research, and What's in a Name—The Name Quagmire.

December 15, 2012 - Show and Tell. This is your opportunity to share your successes with fellow family history enthusiasts.

If you have an idea about a program or a speaker for 2013, email Barbara Coakley at bjc1620@sbcglobal.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.

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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Family Tree Maker Tutorial

Tresa Tatyrek has published a tutorial for Family Tree Maker 2012. How to get started, open an old database, how to do data entry, fix problems, clean up old databases, keep the file software running smoothly. Cost is \$15.00

http://www.lulu.com/shop/tresa-tatyrek/family-tree-maker-2012-a-tutorial/paperback/product-20431945.html;jsessionid=757DDEB304ADA28E67BEEB2E465AFFA5?mid=social facebook pubsharefb



Genealogy Friends Logo Shirts & Tote Bags

You can be one of the best dressed genealogists in town!

We have logo t-shirts, sweatshirts, Henley's and polo style shirts available.

The shirts have a 3" dark green logo printed on the left chest. All shirts are available in toddler through XXXL.

T-shirts \$15

Long Sleeved T Shirts \$18

Sweatshirts \$20 (white, neutral, ash, light blue, pink, yellow and sand)

Henley's \$20 (white, ash or natural)

Polo Shirts \$20 (white, ask or light blue)

Tote Bags \$17





Materials Donated to the Library

Berks Co. Church Records of the 18th Century, Vol 1-5 Scots in the Mid-Atlantic states, 1783-1883

Colonial Clergy of the Middle Colonies Abstracts of Berks County, PA Wills, 1752-1785

Abstracts of Berks County, PA Wills, 1785-1800 Dekalb Co, AL Wills and Estates, 1836-1929, vol 1-2

Abstracts of Berks County, PA Wills 1800-1825 Some Early Records and Documents of and Relating to the

Town of Windsor, CT 1639-1703 Adams County Church Records of the 18th Centruy

St Louis Catholic Parish, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin: Reper-Abstracts of Bucks County, PA Wills 1685-1785

toire of baptisms, marriages and burials

Abstracts of Bucks County, PA Wills 1785-1825 The Sitting Bull Surrender Census

Abstracts of Bucks County, PA Wills 1825-1870 The Crazy Horse Surrender Ledger

Bucks Co, PA Church Records of the 17th & 18th Century Admission Register of Central State Hospital, Milledge-

Vol 1, 3 and 4 ville, GA 1842-1861

Early Church Records of Chester Co, PA, Vol 1-3

1807 Georgia Land Lottery Fortunate Drawers and Grantees

Early Church Records of Dauphin Co, PA

Cemeteries of Bexar Co, TX, Vol 8 Early Church Records of Lebanon Co, PA

Bexar County District Court Minutes, 1838-1848 Kinship: It's all relative

Carroll Co, TN Varied Records, Court Minutes, Tax Rec-Third Parish Registers of Belize, 1828-1841

ords, etc. 6 Volume set

First Parish Registers of Belize, 1794-1810 Memphis, Shelby Co, TN—The Early Years—Selected

Court Records & Survey Books 1820-1850 Second Parish Registers of Belize, 1813-1827

Weakley Co, TN Occupant Entry Records, 1827-1833 Key to the Ancient Parish Registers of England and Wales

Pre 1841 Censuses and Population listing in the British Alphabetical Index to Hardeman Co, TN Deed Books A-Z,

2 vols Isles

Alcorn Co, MS Cemetery Records British Army Pensioners abroad, 1772-1899

Georgia's roster of the Revolution Tishomingo Co, MS Marriage Bonds & Ministers' Returns

1842-1861

Western Maryland Catholics, 1819-1851 Obion Co, TN Court Minutes, 1849-Sept 1862

Scots-French links in Europe and America 1550-1850

Missing Relatives and Lost Friends

Materials Donated to the Library

Some South Carolina Marriages, Obituaries, and Misc Info, Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Starr

1826-1854

Fayette Co, TN Minute Book 1840-1844

Shelby Co, TN Gravestone Inscriptions Cemeteries Vol 1-3

Dinwiddie Co, VA Data 1752-1865

Dinwiddie Co, VA Land Records 1752-1820

Goochland Co, VA Marriage Bonds & Minister Returns,

1816-1854

Petersburg, Hustings Court Marriage Bonds Registers,

Minister Returns, 1784-1854

Applications for Enrollment of Creek Newborn, Act of

1905 Vol 1-4 and 8-10

Big Springs Cemetery Book

1815 Directory of VA Landowners & Gazetteer, Vol 1-6

Compendia: Annotations of Washington Co, VA Cemeter-

ies Vol 1-6

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Aransas, Dewitt, Karnes,

Refugio, San Patricio, Victoria, Wilson

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Atascosa

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Cameron

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Dimmitt, Frio, Hidalgo,

Lasalle, McMullen, Medina, Zavala

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Gonzales

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Kinney

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Maverick

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Nueces

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Uvalde

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Webb

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Zapata

Virginia Final Pension Payments, 1818-1864 Vol 1-2

Virginia Men In Gray Frederick County

Virginia Men In Gray Shenandoah County Vol 1-2

Virginia Men In Gray Clarke County

Virginia Men In Gray Page County

Virginia Men In Gray Rockingham County Vol 1-2

Virginia America Series Men In Gray Intements Vol 1-4

Virginia Virginia Series Men In Gray Interments 20 Vols

Virginia's Civil War Casualties A Roster Vol 1-6

Columbia Co, AR Cemeteries

Columbia Co, AR Obituary Index 1948-2004

Arkansas Prior Birth Index Vol 8, 9, 10

Applications for Enrollment of Seminole Newborn Freed-

men Act of 1905 Supplement to Vol 1&2

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History of Murphy

History of Plano

McMillen Cemetery Designated as a Texas Historic Cemetery

By Brenda Kellow

The Corinth Presbyterian Church, 5609 East Parker Road in Parker, and Donna Jenkins of the Murphy Historical Society invite you to attend the Texas Historic Cemetery Marker dedication of the McMillen Cemetery in Murphy on Sunday, October 21. There will be a short program at the church followed by a brief ceremony at the cemetery, located on McMillen Road just east of Murphy Road in Murphy. Corinth Presbyterian owns the cemetery. James Rylie and Mary Ellen McMillen gave the deed, 149:16 Abstract #588, to the two-acre cemetery to the Corinth Presbyterian Church on March 30, 1907. Many of the McMillen descendants will be present. One family member will read a letter written by C. A. McMillen.

The cemetery is the burial place of the Comfort A. McMillen (1818-1914) and Lydia (Noble) McMillen (1821-1907) family of Murphy and Parker, and founders of the historic Corinth Presbyterian Church on August 2, 1846. The cemetery is adjacent to the C. A. McMillen High School, named after the early Collin County pioneer.





Comfort A & Lydia Noble
McMillen

In 2004, Kyle Causey, a Life scout of Boy Scout Troop 442, documented, cleaned and repaired the aging stones as his Eagle Scout project. Afterwards, it fell into disrepair.

In 2006, Bob Kellow began driving past the cemetery every workday. He told his wife how sad it was to see it falling victim to overgrowth of weeds, brambles and falling trees. When the couple became members of Corinth in late 2009, they discovered that the church owned the cemetery. They promptly began the restoration project.

First, Bob and Brenda Kellow applied for and received a \$1000 grant on July 5, 2010 from the Collin County Historical Commission. That money plus church member donations restored it to its present condition. The couple next had a sign installed in August 2011 showing church ownership and emergency contact information and successfully applied for and received the bronze Texas Historic Cemetery medallion in 2012.

Other known burials in the cemetery are Willard Harris McMillen (1916-1919), W. J. Poindexter (1808-1901), Ernestine Chandler (1906-1906), Melvina Bramlet (1849-1909), Chandler infant (1915-1915), Clifford Elvin Chandler (1917-1918), Leonard Turner (1903-



1924). Only the base of the tombstone for J. A. Harper (-May 19, 1935) remains in the cemetery. The base is on the ground behind and away from other stones. His stone was there when Doris Posey collected the inscriptions on June 1, 1971.

There is no register of burials for the McMillen Cemetery; therefore, there is no way to identify the early

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Historic Cemetery, continued

pioneers of Collin County who might be buried there. The graves were placed in the cemetery where the family requested therefore they are scattered throughout the cemetery with only a few sunken places as suspected burial sites. Loose bricks outline one grave and a double unmarked grave is outlined with concrete curbing. Neither have markers. Many more burials are suspected in this cemetery after Ted Wright doused the cemetery in August 2011.

For further information on the dedication, see the church website at www.corinthpresbyterian.org, or phone 972-372-4765.

The purpose of the Texas Historical Cemetery designation is to demand respect for the cemetery and for the pioneers buried there. Such designations are necessary to preserve the history of Collin County.

What's New in Genealogy?

Family History Information Standards Organization, or FHISO, is a new organization created to develop standards for the digital representation and sharing of family history and genealogical information. Their goal is to develop standards to replace GEDCOM so we can fully transfer information between software programs or online services. http://fhiso.org/wp/wp-content/uploads/2012/07/Why-FHISO-v01-04.pdf

The Office of the Georgia Secretary of State announced that the Georgia State Archives in Morrow, Georgia will be closed to the public effective November 2, 2012. Public access will be by appointment only. Appointment times will be based on staff availability.

Million Short—You might want to try this search engine. There are buttons at the top to remove the top 100, 1,000, 10,000, 100,000 or 1 million sites from the search results on Google. This lets you get right to the less popular websites in your search results. I've had mixed results searching on different ancestors.

Generous Genealogists is a website where you can get free help from other genealogists. Once you create an account you can request assistance—a picture of a tombstone, a copy of a document from a local courthouse, etc. Coaching and help with brickwalls is also available.

http://generousgenealogists.com

Registration for 2013 Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research will open on January 22, 1913 at 11:00 am eastern time. There are ten different courses to choose from. The institute is held at Samford University in Birmingham, Alabama.

http://www4.samford.edu/schools/ighr/IGHR_registration.html