



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.

August Events

August 28, 2024— Research Assistance at Plano Sr. Center 4:30-6:30

September Events:

September 5, 2024—Roundtable Discussion Group—Zoom

September 10, 2024—DNA Interest Group—Hybrid Meeting

September 21, 2024—Virtual All Day Seminar—”Research: From Planning to Writing—See page 5 and our website for more information

Future Events:

October 12, 2024—Great Family Search Conference—See page 2

October 18, 2024—Lock In at Haggard Library—See page 2

October 19, 2024—Hybrid Meeting—”Avoiding Bias: Consider All The Possibilities” by Barbara Coakley

November 16, 2024—Hybrid Meeting—”After You’re Gone: Future Proofing Your Genealogy” by Thomas MacEntee

December 21, 2024—Library Only—Show and Tell

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. **Join now and get the rest of 2024 and 2025 for \$45.**

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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Genealogy Events

September Events

Legacy Family Tree Webinars “Webtember: All Genealogy All September Long”

Live webinars every Friday during September

<https://familytreewebinars.com/webtember/>

Genealogy Friends of Plano Libraries Virtual Seminar

September 21, 2024 “Research Process: From Planning to Writing” with Mark Lowe, Diana Elder, Lisa Stokes, and Lisa Alzo.

<http://www.genealogyfriends.org/all-day-seminars.html>

Dallas Genealogical Society 2024 Seminar Series:

September 28, 2024 “Autosomal Analysis: Tools for Finding Your Ancestors” with Blaine Bettinger

<https://dallasgenealogy.org/meetings-events/seminars/>

GRIP Course with Tom Jones “Proving Kinship Reliably With and Without DNA”

September 16-20, 2024

<https://grip.ngsgenealogy.org/courses/proving-kinship-reliably-with-and-without-dna/>

October Events

Great Family Search Conference at Plano Family History Center

October 12, 2024

<http://greatfamilysearch.com/>

Genealogy Lock In at Haggard Library

October 18 9-6

<https://content.civicplus.com/api/assets/2bd913ff-bebd-43ab-93aa-ca922c249cb1>

November Events

Texas State Genealogical Society Family History Conference will be November 1-2. There will be 10 presentations on Live Days with Q&A and on-demand recordings that will be available through 31 January 2025. More details will be available soon. <https://www.txsgs.org/family-history-conference/>

Check out **Conference Keeper** to keep up with events. <https://conferencekeeper.org/>

Volunteer Opportunities—We Need Your Help



Gen Friends Needs
Your Help

Genealogy Friends is run by all volunteers and there aren't many of us. In order to keep the society active we need more people to step up, help out, and think creatively.

Here are a few opportunities:

- Newsletter Articles—tell the story of an heirloom, your favorite website, history of the area, a sketch of one of your ancestors, a unique record you found that was useful, technology you use, etc. I can help edit the piece.
- Photographer to take pictures at monthly meetings to post on our website.

Genealogy News

American Ancestors is offering a free guide “Getting Started with the 17th Century Great Migration to New England Guide” This is just one of their free downloads and videos that cover basic research methods.

<https://hubs.americanancestors.org/getting-started-great-migration?>

Jill Morelli announced that she has published a book—*Journeys of the Forgotten: The Orphans of Hamilton County, Iowa*. 46 orphans came to Hamilton County and were distributed to farmers and townspeople. The book includes biographies of the orphans including in some cases their parents from New York City. The book can be purchased at LuLu.com <https://www.lulu.com/shop/jill-morelli/journeys-of-the-forgotten-the-orphans-of-hamilton-county-iowa/paperback/product-rme22v7.html?page=1&pageSize=4> There is also a website in progress <https://iowaorphans.wordpress.com/>

The Utah Genealogical Society presents “Summit of Excellence” Sept 5-7. Sept 5 is a free day full of Getting Started Classes. <https://ugagenealogy.org/cpage.php?pt=586>

Looking for an idea on how to write sketches of your ancestors? Check out Randy Seaver’s blog—Genea-Musings. He documents an ancestor a week and posts it on his blog. This is a great way to get started writing. <https://www.geneamusings.com/2024/08/52-relatives-great-grandaunt-anna.html>

Genealogy Friends of Plano Libraries Presents:

Research: From Planning to Writing

September 21, 2024
Virtual Seminar

Registration:
www.genealogyfriends.org

Recordings Will Be
Available for 3 Weeks



Discover
Your Roots With Us!

Featuring:



J. Mark Lowe
Ready-Set-Plan!
Developing a
One-Step Research
Plan



Diana Elder
Research Logs:
The Key to
Organizing Your
Family History



Lisa Stokes
Elements of a
Genealogy
Source
Citation



Lisa Alzo
Writing Your
Family
History
Step-by-Step