



FORT WORTH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

**SEPTEMBER
2013**

MEETINGS AND PROGRAMS

21ST SEPTEMBER 2013

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

In the Southwest Regional Library
4001 Library Lane at Hulen St.
1015AM-12:00PM

JANUARY 2014

BEGINNERS CLASS

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JANUARY 2014

COMPUTER GENEALOGY

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24TH SEPTEMBER 2013

GENERAL MEETING

6:30 pm-8:00PM

Chappell Meeting Room

Fort Worth Public Library

Topic: SWARTZ BROTHERS,

FORT WORTH PHOTOGRAPHERS

By DONNA DONNELL

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Please read page 3 about a major happening in the
Genealogical Research World which will help us in the future.

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In Collaboration with the Fort Worth Library
Presents

Donna Donnell

On

The Swartz Brothers, Fort Worth Photographers: A Family Study

DAY: Tuesday, September 24, 2013

TIME: 6:30 p.m. Tandy Auditorium

Central Branch, FW Library, 500 W. 3rd St.

Parking meters are free after 6 pm. The Sundance Garage on 3rd St. is free when you enter after 5 pm and show ticket stub upon leaving. Come at 6:00 for Coffee.



Donna Donnell, a Fort Worth native and genealogist, has been digging up family roots since 1975. She has written several articles on Western characters associated with Fort Worth, most notably The Wild Bunch. Donnell, debunked the tale of Fort Worth Madam, Eunice Gray, who for decades was believed to be the infamous Etta Place, girlfriend of The Sundance Kid. Her research has gained national attention. Most recently, she and co-collaborator, local historian/author, Dr. Richard Selcer, organized and displayed "The Swartz Brothers: Fort Worth's First Family of Photographers, at the Fort Worth Central Library. Donnell, did most of the historical research of the three Swartz brothers and located descendants, who gathered in Fort Worth to celebrate the historical recognition of their ancestors.

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Ancestry.com and FamilySearch to Make a Billion Global Records

Available Online Posted by Crista Cowan on September 5, 2013 in Company News, Content, Digitization The following press release was issued this afternoon by Ancestry.com and FamilySearch. Groundbreaking Agreement to Deliver Valuable Historical Content Over the Next Five Years PROVO, Utah, September 5, 2013 – Ancestry.com and FamilySearch International (online at FamilySearch.org), the two largest providers of family history resources, announced today an agreement that is expected to make approximately 1 billion global historical records available online and more easily accessible to the public for the first time. With this long-term strategic agreement, the two services will work together with the archive community over the next five years to digitize, index and publish these records from the FamilySearch vault. The access to the global collection of records marks a major investment in international content as Ancestry.com continues to invest in expanding family history interest in its current markets and worldwide. Ancestry.com expects to invest more than \$60 million over the next five years in the project alongside thousands of hours of volunteer efforts facilitated by FamilySearch. “This agreement sets a path for the future for Ancestry.com and FamilySearch to increasingly share international sets of records more collaboratively,” said Tim Sullivan, CEO of Ancestry.com. “A significant part of our vision for family history is helping provide a rich, engaging experience on a global scale. We are excited about the opportunities it will bring to help benefit the family history community and look forward to collaborating with FamilySearch to identify other opportunities to help people discover and share their family history.” The organizations will also be looking at other ways to share content across the two organizations. Both organizations expect to add to the already digitized records shared across the two websites in addition to new record projects to be completed over the next five years. “We are excited to work with Ancestry.com on a vision we both share,” said Dennis Brimhall, President of FamilySearch. “Expanding online access to historical records through this type of collaboration can help millions more people discover and share their family’s history.” This marks a groundbreaking agreement between the two services. But the two organizations aren’t strangers to working with each other; hundreds of millions of records have already been shared and are available on Ancestry.com and FamilySearch.org. The companies also announced in early 2013 an additional project where they plan to publish 140 million U.S. Wills & Probate images and indexes over the next three years—creating a national database of wills and other probate documents spanning 1800-1930 online for the very first time. - See more at: <http://blogs.ancestry.com/ancestry/2013/09/05/ancestry-com-and-familysearch-to-make-a-billion-global-records-available-online/?hootPostID=958d9a7e8bdc56fcb07fdc3e60f9ea16#sthash.fUpD4CbV.dpuf>

An E-Mail message from the Fort Worth Public Library

7 Sep 2013

Subject: VOLUNTEERS

The Genealogy Section of the Library is in need of volunteers. There are no minimum number of hours and any day of the week. They would like someone with knowledge of local history and PC skills; specifically knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite. A volunteer will be doing Genealogy related work and possibly digital archives. That person could also work on our vertical files.

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The Fort Worth Library

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