



Arlington Genealogical Society News

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MONDAY, SEPT. 12, 2016
Community Room of
Arlington West Police Service Station
2060 W. Green Oaks Blvd.

NOTE: Due to scheduling problems at the West Police Station, our September 2016 meeting has been changed to Monday, September 12.



PROGRAM: Judy Allen on "Westward No! or Go West Young Man."

The following people have volunteered to furnish refreshments for the Sept. meeting: Sylvia Hoad, Mary Ann Conrad and Ruth Goodman.



Annual Dues, which are due in September, are \$15 for an individual and \$20 for a family. Attached is the AGS form to renew your dues or join us.

Arlington Genealogical Society meets on the second Tuesday monthly from September through June, except for this meeting.

At the June, 2016 meeting, the following people were elected officers for 2016-2017 and will be installed at the September meeting:

President:	Pete Jacobs
1st VP Programs:	Steven Brown
2nd VP Refreshments:	Jeanne Rives
Secretary:	Sylvia Hoad
Treasurer:	Jeannie Schemensky

AGS COMMITTEES

Parliamentarian:	Dorothy Rencurrel
Publicity Chair:	Ruth Goodman
Membership Chair:	Jan Penland
Collection Development Chair:	Mary Ann Conrad
Web Admin. Volunteer:	John D. Anderson
Finance Chair:	Jeanne Rives
Photographer:	Wally Goodman

UPCOMING AGS MEETINGS:

October 10: Kelvin L. Meyers on "Finding the Women in Our Family"

2017 Date TBA: **Barb Wylie** on "Ya Gotta Know the Territory."

A FEW WORDS FROM YOUR SOCIETY PRESIDENT

The AGS Board met during August in the Northeast Branch Library Community Room with ten Officers and Committee Chairs in attendance. Our next Board meeting is scheduled for 22 October. The October AGS Board meeting is the budget planning meeting. The Board's recommended 2017

budget will be presented for membership discussion and approval at the 8 November members meeting.

Fellow Society members, please consider contributing some of your time and talent toward the goals of our Society. If you have an interest in keeping our Society in the public eye, contact Ruth Goodman. If you are intrigued by the genealogy reference collection [6000 plus titles] shelved in Arlington's public library, then contact Mary Ann Conrad. Contact John Anderson if the terms Browser, Internet and Online equate to better ways to communicate in today's world. In other words, the following committees are in need of assistance; Publicity, Collection Development and Web Page.

The Web Page Committee's work to add "robustness" to the new AGS web site is ongoing. New features since the June meeting include additional photos and the introduction of a "Research Surnames" page. It has been suggested that an AGS informational video would enhance our web page(s). Do you have or know someone with video making experience? If so, contact our web admin or use the "contact us" email link on the AGS web site. While browsing please add our new web address to your bookmarks or favorites list, and invite friends and family to do the same.

Now, a few words about the new "Research Surnames" page. You may ask, how can a surnames list help a member's genealogy research efforts? When someone searches the internet and opens a surname hit from the AGS web pages, or has an interest in a surname in the AGS web pages, they can use the "contact us" link to send AGS an email stating their interest. That inquiry email from anyone anywhere in the world will be forwarded to our member(s) with that same surname interest. Any response is entirely up to the member receiving the inquiry. Society member surname information on the "Research Surnames" page is taken from annual membership renewal forms. To make updates, send your

most current surname info to the Membership Committee. I invite you to visit the AGS web site to see the new "Research Surnames" page.

The new downtown Public Library construction project is well underway. Drive the downtown Arlington area around the City Hall block to see work in progress. The Arlington Public Library Capital Campaign under the auspices of The Arlington Public Library Foundation has been actively soliciting and collecting donations. Donations of \$5,000 and above will be recognized in a prominent way in the lobby of the soon to be built George W. Hawkes Central Library. If you are considering a personal donation, here is a link with more information, <http://bit.ly/20ZzX9M>.

Don't overlook this year's Texas State Genealogical Society Family History Conference. The 3-day conference will take place in Dallas at the Crowne Plaza hotel (1015 Elm Street) during the last weekend of October. The conference offers 72 classroom sessions, 5 workshops, 35 speakers, a banquet, and an exhibit hall. Conference registration is now open at TxSGS.org. You can only get a TxSGS membership discount if you register online. Conference workshops are expected to fill up fast, so register now! The AGS Board will look at carpool possibilities for those who would like to attend and commute from Arlington.

Hope you have had an enjoyable summer. See you Monday evening at the September members meeting.

Peter G. Jacobs, President of the AGS

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE AREA

**Sept. 10: Fort Worth GS
2016 End of Summer Seminar
featuring Kelvin L. Meyers**
<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~txfwgs/html/2016-summer-seminar.html>

Sept. 8: Cedar Hill GS Judy Allen will speak on "Beyond the Federal Population Schedule."

Sept. 17: Dallas GS 2016 Fall Seminar with Curt Witcher.

<http://dallasgenealogy.org/>



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SALE

The Friends Book Sale will be **September 21-25, 2016** at Meadowbrook Recreation Center, 1400 Dugan St., Arlington.

<http://arlingtonlibrary.org/get-involved/fundraising-events/>

Hands-On Learning: Online Genealogy Resources at Lake Arlington Library

Wed, Sep 21, 2016 - 3:00pm to 4:30pm

Focus on *Heritage Quest Online*

http://morelibrary.org/program/1560/hands-learning-online-genealogy-resources?utm_source=Weekly+newsletter+for+Aug+12&utm_campaign=ENewsletter+Week+of+8.7.16&utm_medium=email

Sept. 24: Billy W. Sills Lecture Series:

"Architectural Sojourners: the Messer Brothers in Fort Worth" by Juliet George Smith, historian, author and educator.
2720 Cullen Street, Fort Worth, TX
817-814-2040.

Sept. 24, Van Zandt GS Annual Seminar
8:30 AM - 3:30 PM featuring **Don Raney**.

Topics include: "The Battle of Kings Mountain;" "Finding Your Revolutionary War Ancestor;" "Early American Migration Routes;" "Writing Your Family History with Historical Context"

\$40.00 will be charged for the event.

Pre-registration deadline Sept. 16, 2016.

Contact: VZ Gen Library 903-567-5012 or Ellen Wheeler 903-681-4347

October 7: Lunch Time Lectures at National Archives. The topic will be "Researching American Indians On-Line."

October 8: Mid-Cities GG

2016 Fall Seminar featuring

Sunny Morton "Discovering your U. S. Ancestors" <http://www.txmcgs.org/>

October 28—October 30, 2016, Texas State Genealogical Society Family History Conference in Dallas.

(See President's notes on Page 2.)

A FAMILY HISTORY DISCOVERED ON EBAY

Interesting story about a family history.

The story may be found in the WorthPoint web site at <http://goo.gl/ARf7oj>

Via Dick Eastman · September 2, 2016

450 YEAR OLD FORT SAN MARCOS, On Parris Island, SC, Located and Mapped

<http://www.genealogyblog.com/?p=38142>

HISTORICAL NEWSPAPERS ONLINE

If you're thinking about subscribing to a newspaper site and you're interested in U.S. newspapers, check out [Chronicling America](#) at the Library of Congress. This free website has more than 11 million pages of digitized, full-text searchable U.S. newspapers. You might find what you need right there! Kenneth Marks has put together an incredible [list of available digitized newspapers](#). Some are free and some are part of a subscription site.

Sun, Aug 28, 2016 5:04 am Amy Johnson Crow

NOTE: When I first found this site, I did not think the newspaper I was wanting was online. Be sure to scroll to the bottom of the page. I found the one I needed under

National Newspaper Project near the bottom of the site. Note that each website is different. RG

AGS JUNE 2016 MEETING



Yoko Matsumoto, Director for Arlington Public Library, shared the latest news on the new Library and the new t-shirt available for purchase.



Steve Brown, AGS Program Chairman, lead a discussion of Knocking Down Brick Walls.

WEEKLY PUZZLER:

What is the meaning of the phrase, cousin german?

According to the late Scottish genealogist Kathleen Cory, when the word german is placed after brother, sister or cousin, it means they are in the fullest sense of the relationship. Cousins german are first cousins. A brother or a sister german have the same parents. German, in this case, is pronounced germane.

Via Genealogical Publishing

FGS PROJECTS

Fundraising for the Preserve the Pensions project for War of 1812 is now complete thanks to the generous donations of over 4,000 individuals & 115 genealogical & lineage societies and one anonymous \$500,000 gift from outside the genealogical community! Thank You To All Who Have Contributed! Without your help it could not have been accomplished!

Our partners at Fold3 have a lovely page set up just for War of 1812 Pension Applications

at <http://go.fold3.com/1812pensions/> with it's own search bar and browse button. This is your best access point to the collection if you are not a subscribing member of Fold3.

Via Preserve the Pensions

<http://www.preservethepensions.org>

U.S. - MEXICAN WAR PRESERVATION PROJECT

On August 6, 2016, the Federation of Genealogical Societies and the National Park Service's Palo Alto Battlefield National Historical Park announced a partnership to develop a searchable database of more than 130,000 soldiers of the U. S.-Mexican War. Efforts will also be made to include names and information about Mexican soldiers in the War.

FREEDMEN'S BUREAU RECORDS

The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands (often called the Freedmen's Bureau) was created in 1865 at the end of the American Civil War to supervise relief efforts including education, health care, food and clothing, refugee camps, legalization of marriages, employment, labor contracts, and securing back pay, bounty payments and pensions. These records include letters and endorsements sent and received, account books, applications for rations, applications

for relief, court records, labor contracts, registers of bounty claimants, registers of complaints, registers of contracts, registers of disbursements, registers of freedmen issued rations, registers of patients, reports, rosters of officers and employees, special and general orders and circulars received, special orders and circulars issued, records relating to claims, court trials, property restoration, and homesteads. Family Search.org has some of these records online, under State name rather than a category.

NOTE: One of our AGS members has issues of Family Tree Magazine - 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009. If you are interested, please contact Carol at carolvo45@gmail.com or call 817-457-9720.



THE ARLINGTON JOURNAL (cont.) by Will Keller

Friday October 25, 1929

Joseph E. Emanuel was born in Franklin County, Pa., Oct. 15, 1862. He was an inmate of the Home of Aged Masons since 1923. He was a member of the Lone Star Lodge of Dennison and had been a member of this lodge since 1893. Mr. Emanuel died while visiting his home lodge on October 22. He leaves one brother and one sister in San Jose, Ill. Burial was in the Masonic Cemetery north of Arlington and the services were conducted by Rev. S. M. Bennett.

Friday October 25, 1929

Palma Jeanne, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. **Mauldin** died at the home of her parents, Thursday morning, Oct. 24, at 8 o'clock. Palma Jeanne was only two months old and her death resulted from pneumonia. Funeral services will be conducted by Rev. Roy Langston and Rev. S. M. Bennett at the Methodist Church at 2 o'clock Friday

afternoon. Interment will be in the Mansfield Cemetery at 3 o'clock.

Friday October 25, 1929

After a brief illness of only five days, **Mr. W. L. Foster**, for over twenty-five years a resident of Arlington, and one of the best known men in our community, quietly passed away last Thursday morning at his home on North Center Street. Funeral services were conducted at the family residence Friday afternoon, led by Rev. Roy Langston, pastor of the Methodist Church, assisted by Revs. C. E. Statham, S. M. Bennett and H. M. Redford.

Death was due to overwork, resulting in hemorrhage of the heart.

Mr. Foster was born at Minden, Texas, May 17, 1858. Here he spent the early years of his life, moving to Forney, Texas in 1893, thence to Arlington in 1907, where he and his family have resided since. He is survived by his wife and five children as follows: Marshall Foster of Forney, Archie Foster of Lawton, Okla., Miss Ida Foster and Mrs. Annie Garrison of Arlington, and Mrs. Lulu Richmond of Prairieville, Texas.

Pallbearers were Mike Ditto, Sr., W. M. Douglass, Zac Slaughter, Clarence Wright, A. N. Weaver of Arlington, and Al Powell of Fort Worth.

Mr. Foster was a good man, well known to all our citizenship. For several years he was employed by Hugh Moore and in whose services he was brought in intimate contact with almost all our people. They knew him and loved him with real tenderness. He was a man who worked hard, loved his fellowmen, minded his own business and was more thoughtful of others than he was of himself.

His generous, unselfish nature, and his unvarying kindness to people of all classes and ranks gave him a lasting place in people's hearts.

The devotion of his family to him was beautiful. Faithfully to the last moment they sat by his side, and rendered every

possible attention for his comfort. Above all, he was a Christian man. He professed religion early in life, united with the church, and gave assurance to those about him that he was ready to go.

Quietly his body was laid to rest in our beautiful new cemetery, in the presence of a large crowd of sympathizing friends.

“Servant of God, well done,
Rest from Thy blest employ;
The battle’s fought, the victory won;
Enter they Master’s joy.”

Friday October 25, 1929

We wish to thank our many friends for their loving deeds of kindness during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, also for the beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Mollie **Foster**.
Mrs. Leslie Garrison
(Miss) Ida Foster.

Friday November 1, 1929

Chester L. Heath, 79, retired Cleburne banker and real estate man and for the past ten years a resident of Arlington, died at his home here at 11:30 p. m., Sunday, October 28. Services were conducted at 10 a. m., Monday at the residence, with Rev. H. M. Redford, pastor of the Arlington Christian Church, officiating. The body was taken to Cleburne for burial.

Mr. Heath had been a member of the Masonic Lodge for 58 years.

Survivors are his wife, one son, A. M. Heath of Houston, and five daughters, Mrs. F. R. Calgon of San Antonio, Mrs. J. C. Sprague of Tulia, Mrs. W. B. Goodrich of Los Angeles, Mrs. O. E. McGregor of Pendleton and Miss Mary Heath of Arlington.

Friday November 1 *Brother of Arlington Man Dies*

J. W. Yarbrough, 56, died at his home at Bryson, on October 25. Funeral services were held at the home of his brother, E. N. Yarbrough of this city, at 2:30 p. m., Saturday with Rev. Roy Langston, pastor of the First Methodist Church and

Rev. S. M. Bennett, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment was in the Arlington Cemetery. The Arlington Masonic Lodge had charge of the services at the grave.

Mr. Yarbrough was a thirty-third degree Mason and a member of the Christian Church.

Survivors are his wife; three sisters, Mrs. C. W. Holsell, Mineral Wells, and Mrs. R. O. Crawford and Mrs. Jesse Busby of Grand Prairie; and a brother, E. N. Yarbrough, of Arlington.

Friday November 8, 1929

We wish to extend our thanks and appreciation for the acts of kindness, messages of sympathy and beautiful floral offerings received from our many friends during our recent bereavement in the loss of our brother, **J. W. Yarbrough** of Brison, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Yarbrough,
Mrs. R. O. Crawford,
Mrs. C. W. Halsell,
Mrs. J. F. Busby.

Friday November 8, 1929

Will Ward, 50 years of age, died at his home, 217 East Abram Street, on Tuesday, October 29. Funeral services were conducted at the Moore Funeral Home Wednesday, by Rev. W. T. Rouse, pastor of the Arlington Baptist Church. Interment was in the Johnson Station Cemetery.

Mr. Ward was born in Mississippi and came to Texas about twenty-five years ago. He had lived in and around this community since coming to Texas. He was a member of the Arlington Baptist Church. He is survived by one brother, who lives in Dallas.

'A SHOT OF WHISKEY'

In the old west a .45 cartridge for a six-gun cost 12 cents, so did a glass of whiskey. If a cowhand was low on cash he would often give the bartender a cartridge in exchange for a drink. This became known as a "shot" of whiskey.

Via Marilyn Hay, Mid Cities GS