



# Arlington Genealogical Society News

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**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2016**

**Community Room of  
Arlington West Police Service Station  
2060 W. Green Oaks Blvd.**



**PROGRAM:** **Kelvin L. Meyers** will speak on "Finding the Women in Our Family."

The following people have volunteered to furnish refreshments for the October meeting: John Anderson, Peggy Quinn, Jan Penland and Paul Wright.



Annual Dues, which are due in September, are \$15 for an individual and \$20 for a family. If you have not renewed your dues for 2016-2017, the renewal form can be found on the AGS website shown above under "Membership."

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

## AGS OFFICERS

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
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## UPCOMING AGS MEETINGS:

**Nov. 8:** **Mary E. Wilson** will speak on "Adoption Research."

**Dec. 13:** Christmas Party with Special Presentation.

**January 10, 2017:** **Barb Wylie** will speak on "Ya Gotta Know the Territory."

## A FEW WORDS FROM YOUR SOCIETY PRESIDENT

My lead off topic is the opportunity to add to your knowledge about genealogy. This October is full of chances to advance yourself starting with the 11 Oct. meeting program about *Finding the Women in our Family*.

Another opportunity, and here I quote from the APL announcement for a very special program on 21 October, "In celebration of October as Family History Month, the Arlington Public Library will be remotely joining the Genealogy Center of the Waco-McLennan County Library for their 16th Annual Genealogy Lock-in. The programming begins at noon, is COME & GO, and includes something for everyone."

Closing out the month, don't overlook this chance--the 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](http://TxSGS.org) Conference workshops are expected to fill up fast, so register ASAP! The AGS Board will look at carpool possibilities for those who would like to attend and commute from Arlington. You may also pick up the Family History Conference information handout sheet on our browsing table during the membership meeting.

The AGS Board last met during August in the Northeast Branch Library Community Room. Our next Board meeting is scheduled for 22 October and the main agenda item will be budget planning. Society members are invited to participate by sharing your ideas with a board member or by attending the board meeting. The Board's recommended 2017 budget will be presented for members' discussion and voting at the 8 November membership 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.

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.

A few words about genealogy periodicals, an often overlooked and valuable learning and research tool. Genealogy periodicals are not just for articles about the latest research techniques but also feature family history content. The APL has an extensive holding of periodicals bound and on the shelves within the reference collection at NE Branch. Don't overlook using the APL online genealogy databases to aid your search efforts. To focus or narrow your search, use Heritage Quest which features the PERiodical Source Index (PERSI), our nation's premiere genealogy periodical research database.

See you Tuesday evening at the October 11<sup>th</sup> members meeting.

Peter G. Jacobs, President

**Fri, Oct 21, 2016:**

**Genealogy Lock-in: - 11:30am (Lake Arlington Branch Library)**

For more information:

<http://morelibrary.org/event/1676>

## **UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE AREA**

**October 6: GPGS: Glen Kinkade** will speak on "Indirect Evidence." GPGS has returned to the GP Library for meetings.

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

**October 8: Mid-Cities GS.: 2016 Fall Seminar** featuring **Sunny Morton** on "Discovering Your U. S. Ancestors."

**October 8: Archives in Action:** Celebrate American Archives Month at the Fort Worth Central Library. Learn how to use archives to research your home and conserve family treasures. For more information: <http://fortworthtexas.gov/library/programs/archives-in-action.html>

**October 13: Cedar Hill GS: Marilyn Hay** will speak on "Family Tree's Hidden Features."

**October 22: Billy W. Sills Lecture Series: Dan Smith**, meteorologist, historian and author will speak on "The Bankhead Highway--Fort Worth's Connection to the First All-Weather Transcontinental Highway."

**October 25: Fort Worth GS** speaker will be **Jerry Beck**, retired Masonic School Assistant Superintendent on "The Masonic Home and School of Texas. He will present a brief history of the Home from 1899 to present day. He will include information concerning the records of students enrolled in the School

**October 28—October 30, 2016, Texas State Genealogical Society Family History Conference** in Dallas.  
**NOTE:** The deadline for Early Bird rate is October 7. [TxSGS.org](http://TxSGS.org)

### **31 DAYS TO BETTER GENEALOGY – VERSION 2.0**

Amy Crow Johnson has begun the above series. You will receive a new thought every day for 31 days. For more information, go to the website below and sign up.  
<http://www.amyjohnsoncrow.com/2016/09/23/31-days-better-genealogy-version-2-0/>  
*Via Amy Crow Johnson September 23, 2016*

## **SEPTEMBER MEETING**



Steve Brown, Sylvia Hoad, Jeanne Rives, Jeannie Schemensky, Dorothy Rencurrel and Pete Jacobs, new AGS Officers



Judy Allen, September Speaker

### **FAMILY TREE MAKER SOFTWARE**

Family Tree Maker has been purchased by MacKiev Software. Most of your questions can be found at the following website:

<http://www.mackiev.com/ftm/>

**NOTE:** Click on "FAQs" and also "Mailing List."

After I found this site, I emailed Marilyn Hay, genealogist who presents program on FamilyTreeMaker. The following are some of her thoughts.

"I still love Family Tree Maker and I won't change unless they make me. I have tried Roots Magic and for some reason I don't like it. I also think that FTM is a lot easier than other programs. The company that is now selling FTM is the same company that has been working on FTM for the last three years under the umbrella of Ancestry so I don't see any problems with remaining with FTM. The tech support will not be through Ancestry now but through the other company. That is my opinion!"  
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## GENEALOGY WHEN YOU'RE SHORT ON TIME

We don't always have several hours of uninterrupted time to devote to our genealogy. But that doesn't mean that we can't get anything done. Here are a few things you can do when you want to do some genealogy, but you only have 15 or 20 minutes.

1. Scan and Label Photographs: No, you're not going to scan and label all of your photographs in this time. But those that you do label and scan in those 15 minutes are more than you had done before! (Check out my post on [how to label as you scan.](#))
2. Transcribe a Document: Transcribing a document is a great way to get more out of your research. You'll pick up clues that go unnoticed when you're just skimming "for the good stuff." Even if you don't get all the way through it in 15 minutes or you get stuck on a few words, it's often enough time for a good first pass through.
3. Record a Memory: We get so focused on the past that we sometimes forget that we are our family history. Our stories and memories count every bit as much as the one's we're trying to save of our ancestors. (Stuck trying to think of a topic? FamilySearch has [a list of 58 questions to get you started.](#))

We don't have unlimited time to spend on our genealogy. And let's be honest -- even if we had 24 hours a day to spend on it, we wouldn't think it's enough! Fortunately, we can still get some things done in small chunks of time.

Via: Amy Johnson Crow Nov. 2015

### LISA LOUISE COOKE

Lisa Louise Cooke has numerous videos on <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zdokek h3Lis>

One of her videos: "A Google tech tip to improve your searches!" was featured on her website. This is a seven minute video

on how to speak Google's language. While there, check out some of her other videos.  
Via Lisa Louise Cooke Sept. 29, 2016

### 1,600 Stories Previously Buried in a Forgotten Tacoma Pauper Cemetery are now Recorded and Available Online

What was the Pierce County, Washington, pauper cemetery is now a forgotten memory. More than 1,600 people are buried there, all laid to rest between the 1880s and 1920s. Researchers say either the county never kept a record of the burials or lost it, possibly in a fire.

If not for a curious funeral director who started six years ago to collect the names of the dead, they would remain hidden in handwritten ledgers kept by individual funeral homes across Tacoma. Bill Habermann enters the names on tracked down military records and newspaper stories about the deaths.

Then he painstakingly entered all of it into an online database at [findagrave.com](http://findagrave.com), along with other details from public records, so they can be found by searching historians and family members.

You can read more in an article by Karen Peterson in *The News Tribune* at <http://www.thenewstribune.com/news/local/article98258267.html>.

Dick Eastman · September 6, 2016



### BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Heritage of Butler County, AL	AL.9H
Heritage of Escambia Co., AL	AL.9H
Hunt County TX in the Civil War	TX.4E
Early Ohio Tax Records, with index	OH.6P
Marriage Records of Cherokee Co., TX 1905-1932 Vols. 1&2	TX.6H



**THE ARLINGTON JOURNAL (cont.)**  
by Will Keller

**Friday November 8, 1929**

The Pacific, once so wide, suddenly becomes narrow. The oceans on both sides of us are no longer a defense, but an open air lane. Citizens should constantly demand for this nation the world's greatest air fleet. An air fleet invincible.

Statesmen that take the people's money and high office should think of safety first, petty economy later, do their duty and make this country safe in time.

It once took months to cross the Pacific in sailing ships. Then steamboats crossed in weeks. And Americans said: "We are safe against Asia with that wide ocean. Who could possibly bring an army, or any dangerous attack, across seven thousand miles of water?"

We were quite happy about the little Atlantic ocean, and with good reason, for we had only to fear troops that would have to be landed on our shores from invading ships.

Dr. Eckener's Zeppelin flight around the world, crossing the Pacific, brings continents close together and nullifies the "Protection of the oceans" on which we have relied.

That round-the-world-flight and swift crossing of the Pacific, due to the genius of German engineers has changed the Pacific Ocean, in the minds of intelligent men, from a "Boundless Expanse" to a "Narrow Strip of Water" bringing to the United States and Canada, great powers of this northwestern continent, face to face in an international "Close-up" with China, Japan and all Asia.

There are more than 400,000,000 people in China, according to official figures, probably man more than 500,000,000 as the Chinese census taken largely for purposes of taxation, often ignores the very old and the very young babies.

There are close to 70,000,000 people in Japan.

There are 300,000,000 in India, including more than 50,000,000 fighting Mohammedans.

India and its inhabitants are supposed to be "under the thumb of Great Britain," but how long will India remain there?

How long would British control endure if there should come a great Asiatic uprising?

This country anticipates no attack from our friends the Japanese, less from the Chinese, with whom we have always been friendly and who have not received with any specially bitterness our Legislation thought necessary to keep this white continent for white people.

Citizens of this country, and especially its statesmen, men holding important public office involving National responsibility, have no right to rest supine on a basis of what "We Expect."

We didn't "Expect" in 1914 that we should soon get word from the German Kaiser: "Send your ships where we tell you, and if you send them anywhere else we shall sink them by submarine."

We should have said in 1914: "Not even Kaiser Wilhelm would be foolish enough to send a message of that sort to the United States when it had not declared war against him or made war against him."

But that is the message that the Kaiser sent, a message that took this Nation into the great war and ended it.

**Friday November 8, 1929**

The following is a list of Ex-service men of Arlington and community:

John S. Adkins, Edward Appleton, H. E. Barker, R. F. Binney, Gano Barnes, T. L. Boyd, O. M. Bondurant, Mack Beard, Lindsley M. Brown, Roy W. Burdette, Lee Russell, Joe Collins, H. E. Caton, R. B. Chamerlain, R. G. Cawthon, James Crawley, W. R. Cantrell, R. E. Cash, J. D. Cox.

Geo. L. Dickey, Harry Davis, Charles Davis, Cliff Dodson, John P. Davis, Lee Davidson, A. W. Darden, E. E. Denton, J. C. Duncan, C. R. Daniels, Jim Ditto, Jr, M. C. Dalby, Joe A. Elliott, Jr., George Elliott, W. T. Elliott, W. O. Evans, W. H. Fritzmiere, Chester A. Farris, C. W. Farris, Mike Freeman, Chas. D. Grady, O. S. Gray, Walter Griffin, J. V. Griffin, Earl Gardner.

E. C. Hancock, Pat Hastings, Wade Hartley, O. A. Horton, J. C. Hines, Melvin Hall, Richard D. Hall, Earl D. Irons, Jake Ingle, D. T. Jones, L. E. Johnson, Albert Koency, S. H. Kraft, "Smokey" Kelley, Dan H. Kiber, Edgar H. Keltner, Frank Kelley, James Keel, Mr. Love, M. B. Lebo, Lee Lillard, Joe Lillard, Elra Mayfield, H. P. Maddry, H. D. McMurray, Joe McKnight, Will McKnight, L. S. Morgan, Paul Moehr, R. B. Moore.

Robert Norris, Roscoe Owens, Robert O'Connor, J. S. Perry, J. H. Pirie, Joe B. Preston, Ray Pemberton, E. M. Rogers, Edward Rankin, Mr. Record, F. H. Russell, H. D. Robertson, J. W. Robertson, Al. L.

Robertson, T. H. Robb, W. W. Renfro, Howard Slaughter, Ed Sewell, H. C. Sears, Chas. Stout, Thos. Spruance, Arthur Sandford, Neal Shelton, M. C. Stone, Franz Swanson, R. H. Skinner, G. G. Scott.

W. F. Tyson, G. C. Thompson, Jess Tomlin, Sam Thomas, W. V. Taylor, Roy Tillary, Ross O. Trigg, Homer Thomas, Bill Vernon, Bill Vines, H. C. Vande-Wade, Homer Walker, Lloyd Webb, B. G. Young. Burney Young.

We have done our best in compiling this list. If we have made errors we want to correct them. Please send in the same.

### **Friday November 15, 1929**

Talking, moving pictures, by Vitaphone, were seen for the first time in the history of our city last week, when the Palace Theater put on its first talking film. The owners of the local theater, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Reynolds, have gone to heavy expense to give Arlington show-goers this modern entertainment and are delighted with the reception it has received. The people, in turn have shown their appreciation by

attending in large numbers and expressing unbounded delight at the success of the new improvement.

### **Friday November 22, 1929**

**Miss Nancy Caroline McKinley**, 83 years of age, died Thursday morning, November 19, at her home in Walters, Okla. Funeral services were held at the home of her niece, Mrs. W. J. Pulley, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock with Rev. S. M. Bennett officiating. Interment was in the Arlington Cemetery.

Miss McKinley was born in Coosey County, Alabama, April 24, 1846. She was the fifth child of a family of twelve children, six boys and six girls, eight of whom preceded her by death; three brothers surviving her. She was the daughter of H. H. McKinley and Ann G. McKinley. She came with her parents from Alabama to Union County, Ark., when she was 11 years old. She joined the Baptist church in Arkansas. She came from there with her family to Arlington in December, 1876. She and her brother, Joseph McKinley moved to Walters, Okla., in 1906. The brothers surviving are: W. H. McKinley of Fort Worth, Joseph McKinley of Walters, Okla., and Robert McKinley of Arlington. She is also survived by five nieces and five nephews, namely: J. T., Lon, Dick and Ben Sawyer of Walters, Okla.; Witt Sawyer of Lindsley, Okla.; and Mrs. T. L. Cravens, Mrs. Valin R. Woodward, Mrs. W. J. Pulley of Arlington; Mrs. Alvin Watson and Mrs. Ed Aiken of Fort Worth. All of these relatives attended the funeral.

### **IRON CLAD CONTRACT**

This came about from the ironclad ships of the Civil War. It meant something so strong it could not be broken.

