



Arlington Genealogical Society

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February 2018 Newsletter

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AGS Meeting TUESDAY, February 13th, 2018 6:30 P.M.

Our meetings are held in the Community Room at the Arlington West Police Service Station, 2060 West Green Oaks Blvd. The Arlington Genealogical Society meets on the second Tuesday monthly from September through June. All visitors are Welcome.

Refreshments

The following people have volunteered to furnish refreshments for the meeting: John Anderson, Jan Penland and Kathy Polozola.

The February Meeting Program

Throughout our membership year we advance our genealogy knowledge through various programs and hearing subject matter experts. Our speakers will be David Margreat Crumpton from the LDS Family History Center in Arlington.



David will discuss the features, holdings, and activities of the Family History Center.



Margreat will preview their upcoming Family History Seminar.

Our January 2018 program featured members as speakers. We were asked to share an heirloom item, or an aspect of our family history. Highlights of the program included the story about a member's ancestor who escaped from indentured servitude in northern Virginia during colonial times and prospered in the Carolina colonies. Two members explained how DNA analysis results affected family lore and changed a family tree ancestral line. One member brought and shared family bibles with entries and notations dating back to the early 1800s. Another member related the challenges of printing a large family tree for a family reunion. We look forward to the next sharing program when member stories are likely to inspire other members in some aspect of genealogy.

AGS Officers

President * * * * * Steven Brown
1st VP * * * * * Toby Hurley
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A Few Words from Your Society President

The family history stories and sharing of information at last month's meeting was great fun. It is always good to hear about fellow members' success in finding new information about family lineage. It is also nice to be able to provide possible leads in helping someone to break down a brick wall that they are having trouble breaching. Thank you to all who participated and shared at last month's meeting!

The new membership year has begun, so if you have not renewed your membership, please do so. Those that have not yet renewed have until the March meeting to renew, or their names will be dropped from the membership roster, per the society standing rules. As of our last meeting, 43 of our current 75 members have renewed their membership (11 Family and 21 Individual). Our society has grown each year through the past few years. We want everyone to remain a member and invite friends to check our group out and hopefully join our society as we learn new ways or gain more insight into researching our lineage through our monthly guest speaker presentations and sharing of ideas between one another at our meetings.

I want to thank our "Donation Naming Committee", Sylvia Hoad, Mary Ann Conrad, and Virginia Orchard for working under a very tight deadline from the Arlington Public Library to provide the verbiage that will appear on the donor wall at the new George Hawkes Central Library, when it opens. The plaque will read "Arlington Genealogical Society, In Memoriam, Alfred A Howard 1932-2012". We are told it will appear as three lines on the "Memorial Wall" at the library. I also want to thank Mark Dellenbaugh and the library staff for updating our web page information on the APL Donor Wall listing that appears on the APL website. It was discovered that the link for AGS went to our old Rootsweb website, which is no

longer working, within a very short time, the staff was able to update to our new website (arlingtongenealogytx.org) once they were alerted to the issue.

Currently, the new library is set to open in June of 2018. Please look for upcoming requests for assistance from the Genealogy Collections Committee in assistance with getting the space organized in the new library building prior to this date.

We also will need some assistance with manning the information table at the Arlington/Burleson Stake Genealogy Fair on Saturday, April 7, 2018. We will be passing a sign-up sheet during our upcoming meeting.

I look forward to seeing everyone Tuesday, February 13, when our program speakers will be David and Margreat Crumpton, co-directors of the Family History Center in Arlington.

Steve Brown

President, Arlington Genealogy Association

AGS Board meetings:

The last AGS Board meeting took place Saturday morning, January 20th, 2018, in the Lake Arlington Branch Library Community Room. The next AGS Board meeting is scheduled for March 24th, 2018, in the Lake Arlington Branch Library Community Room. On the agenda will be final planning for the information table at the 7 April Family History Seminar. Also, plans to support the relocation of the Genealogy Reference collection back to the downtown library from the Northeast branch. Society will be discussed. Members are invited to attend Board meetings. You can also suggest ideas and proposals to a board member or committee chair. All AGS Board meetings are open to the public.

AGS Committees

Standing Committees:

Membership * * * * * Jan Penland, Chair
Collection Development * * * * * Mary Ann Conrad, Chair:
Web Page * * * * * John D. Anderson, Admin
Finance * * * * * Jeanne Rives, Chair
Publicity * * * * * * Pete Jacobs, Chair
AGS photographer * * * Wally Goodman

Special Committees:

Genealogy Resources * * * Larry Howser, Chair
APL Donor Wall * * * * * Sylvia Hoad, Chair:

Committee Reports

Collection Development, Mary Ann Conrad, Chair.

If you are in need of, or are aware of genealogy reference books, please share your information with the committee.

Membership, Jan Penland, Chair, reports as of December 31, the end of our 2017 membership year, AGS had a total of 75 members. We had the pleasure of welcoming a number of new members during the year, and we hope to continue that trend in 2018. Please invite your friends and family members who are interested in family history to join our Society.

Our new membership year began on January 1, 2018. Our March meeting is the deadline for renewals - after that meeting, those who haven't paid their 2018 dues will be removed from our rolls. As of February 1, we've received renewals from 11 families and 21 individuals. We don't want to lose you! So, if you haven't yet paid your 2018 dues, please do so at one of our next meetings (on February 13 or March 13), or by mail. You can print a membership form from our website, [formLINK](#), which includes the mailing address for AGS, or print the form appended as the last page to the newsletter, page 7

Publicity, Pete Jacobs, Chair, reports the FaceBook project team met Friday, 5 January, at the Lake Arlington Branch Library Community Room. We continue to make progress toward publishing a FaceBook.com page as a way to broaden AGS exposure to the citizens of Arlington. We would like a few more volunteers with some experience with FB. At a minimum, potential volunteers need to have an active FB account.

General Genealogy Information

Do you wish *Finding Your Roots* had run a few more episodes? Don't fret, the Learning Channel will soon broadcast "Who Do You Think You Are?", and you will be able to follow a celebrity to libraries, churches, cemeteries and ancestral hometowns to learn about his or her ancestors. The program's 10th season should be premiering this Spring. Which celebrities will appear in 2018, and

the first episode date has yet to be announced. So, when you see the air date let us know. WDYT YA? has garnered a few Emmy nominations over the years and won an Emmy for Outstanding Picture Editing for a Reality Program.

Half Price Books in Lincoln Square is closing after nearly 20 years in that location. The Half Price Books store that sits near the intersection of Center and Road to Six Flags Streets will open its doors for the final time on March 11. The Cooper Street store location will remain open.

Online Genealogy Information

TxSGS Virtual Conference, Feb 9-10, Registration ends Wednesday, February 7, at midnight! The online conference features J. Mark Lowe and seven nationally known speakers presenting eight topics! It is not too late, sign up now, registration fee is \$55 for TxSGS members; \$65 for TxSGS non-members. Registrants will be entered for a chance to win a selection of door prizes including a DNA kit (2 to be given). Debbie Parker Wayne and Blaine Bettinger's popular workbook *Genetic Genealogy in Practice*, will be given away, plus a **free registration** for the TxSGS 2018 Family History Conference to be held later this year. Presentations will be viewed live on the conference dates or later at your convenience. Recorded presentations will be available for viewing for a limited time after the conference. Registrants will receive an email by February 8 with a link to the 2018 Virtual Conference and their Virtual Conference password. Visit [txsgsLINK](#) for details, and to register online.

Is the Online Death Indexes and Records website on your favorite list, or in your genealogy research toolbox? It has new links or updates for the following states: AK, CA, FL, IL, IN, IA, LA, MD, MI, MN, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, OH, OK, OR, PA, TX, VA, WA and WY. You can find a list of the latest additions and updates here, [blogspotLINK](#)

In recognition of Black History Month, Fold3 is making the records in its Black History collection available for free through the end of February. Whether you're searching for your ancestors or looking for primary documents to help with other research, the Black History collection gives access to more than a million documents, records, and

photos that help to capture the African-American experience during five eras of American history: Slavery, The Civil War, Reconstruction & Jim Crow Laws, World War I & II, and the Civil Rights Movement. All the titles in FOLD3's Black History collection contain valuable insight into the history of African-Americans. Get started searching Fold3's Black History records at [fold3LINK A](#). Or look for individual collections at [fold3LINK B](#).

AGS Society Programs

Our AGS First Vice President, Toby Hurley, arranges or recruits and schedules all programs presented at membership meetings. Do you have a future program suggestion or idea? Please share it with Toby. Many of our past programs were arranged after receiving member suggestions. Looking ahead to March, 2018, and later months. Toby is working a list of program possibilities on the following topics; Bankhead Highway, Early TX Maps and Boundary Markers, Newspaper Research, and D-Day.

Upcoming Genealogy Events in Arlington

*The "Your Story" series - Writing, Recording, Cooking, and Preserving your Family's History. Your family's story is richer than data recorded on genealogy charts. The next session is Wed, Feb 21, 2018 - 6:30pm to 7:30pm in the Lake Arlington Branch Library Community Room. *The series continues monthly in March and April on the third Wednesday.*

*The "Hands-On Learning" making the most of series - Online genealogy records, where they exist, are usually scattered across several resources. This series of classes focuses on online genealogy resources that the library provides. Wed, Feb 14, 2018 - 3:00pm to 4:30pm, making the most of Ancestry, and Wed, Mar 14, 2018 - 3:00pm to 4:30pm, making the most of Heritage Quest. Both programs in the Techlink Van parked in the Woodland West Branch Library Public Area.

To see more details related to the preceding events use the Arlington Public Library online calendar.

Upcoming Genealogy Events in our Local Area

UTA Special Collections:

* On exhibit through August, *Drawn to Politics: The Editorial Art of Etta Hulme.*

Cedar Hill Genealogy Society:

* February 8th, 6:30pm to 9pm, Jim Thornhill will present: *Migration through the South.*

Fort Worth Genealogy Society:

* General meeting on Tuesday, February 27th. No program information at AGS Newsletter deadline. Also, the FWGS web site host, rootsweb.com, is undergoing repair and update.

Grand Prairie Genealogical Society:

*Thursday, March 1st, monthly meeting, 6:30 pm. GPGS member, Ruth Lloyd, the daughter of Holocaust survivors, will talk about the *WW-II Holocaust.*

*And a shout out for the GPGS 2018 "Lock In", Friday evening, March 9th.

Mid Cities Genealogical Society:

*March 1st, MCGS meeting, 6:30 pm. *State & Territorial Censuses: Underused Genealogical Tools*, Presenter: Bernard N. Meisner.

*Thursday, April 5th, MCGS meeting, 6:30 pm. *Locating Confederate Forebears*, Presenter: Peggy Fox Michaels.

Dallas Genealogical Society:

*DGS, March 3rd, meeting. The educational presentation, *Migration Through the South*, will be made by Jim Thornhill..

*DGS Special Interest Groups:

Technology, Mar 1 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

African American, Feb 17 @ 2:00 pm - 4:45 pm

Jewish, Feb 21 @ 10:00 am - 1:00pm

DNA, Feb 15 @ 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Brown Bag, Feb 24 @ 10:30 am - 1:00 pm

National Archives at Fort Worth:

*The Workshop series schedule has have been published. The first of four, on Feb 23rd, is *Census Records in Historical Context*. Do register via email, [FWNARAMail](#) to reserve a space.

Arlington Historical Society

“Arlington on Tap, 2018” – The 3rd season continues Tuesday, February 13: “*Great Women of Arlington*,” by O.K. Carter, longtime Star-Telegram journalist and historian. Carter warms up for Valentine’s with funny and sometimes sentimental stories of the women in history who helped make Arlington great. Hooligan’s, 310 E. Abram St. Event begins at 6 pm. [AHS LINK](#)

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Friday April 4 NEW THEATRE TO OPEN IN FORT WORTH

Fort Worth, Texas, April 3. – Of unusual interest to citizens of Tarrant and adjoining counties, in that it offers another opportunity to see and hear the latest sound productions from the world’s theatre marts, the forthcoming formal opening of the Hollywood Theatre, Fort Worth’s latest and most pretentious modern playhouse, scheduled for Thursday evening, April 17, is holding the center of the calcium and the happy occasion bids fair to become one of the outstanding events in the social, civic and industrial life of Fort Worth.

Elaborate dedication exercises will be observed the opening night, when a lavish program, featuring Columbia’s all-star epic of the United States Marines in Central America, “Flight”, co-starring Jack Holt, Ralph Graves and Lila Lee at the head of superlative cast, will swing into the spotlight promptly at 8 o’clock. Fort Worth society will turn out en masse for this event, which is now being widely discussed over the teacups in and about Fort Worth’s social centers. Civic leaders, headed by the mayor, chief of police, sheriff, city manager and other dignitaries will be on hand with representatives of the industrial concerns in Tarrant County, and the gala premiere performance, even at this early date, promises to develop into a veritable triumph for Clinton Donnelly, managing director of the new theatre, as well as one of the biggest and most interesting theatrical events in the history of Fort Worth.

Texas owned in every respect, the Hollywood Theatre represents the culmination of a dream to give citizens of Fort Worth and adjacent territory a theatre absolutely untrammelled by any outside interest; where the sole comfort of the patron might be studied and given preference, and the selection of entertainment left up to those who have the interests of the ultimate to patron close at heart, and who thereby are best fitted to fill the needs of the local and Southwest amusement loving population. Dedicated to serve this same public and pledged to present the latest sound entertainment, both feature length productions and short subjects of a wide variety, the Hollywood, if one may judge from the intense interest being manifested hereabouts in its completion and subsequent launching for local patronage, appears destined to enjoy long and successful career as the amusement center for those who crave entertainment. Selected with the greatest possible care, and balanced proportionately, amid luxurious and thoroughly modern surroundings, and in a play house that is the last word in up to date theatre construction, together with a competent staff that establishes a new high standard in efficiency and courtesy to its patrons.

Friday April 11 PIONEER RESIDENT OF TARRANT COUNTY PASSES ON

Smith Tippet, aged 80 years, a pioneer, Tarrant County citizen and father of Mesdames W. T. Martin and Jeff McCombs of this city died at his home in Fort Worth.

Mr. Tippet was reared in Hunt County living there many years, but have lived in Fort Worth for many years, so that he and his good wife could be near their children in their reclining days. He is survived by his widow and the following children: Mesdames W. T. Martin and Jeff McCombs of Arlington; Mrs. Henry Campbell of Greenville; Mrs. A. N. Prather of Jacobia; Clarence and Ernest Tippet of Fort Worth; Cleveland Tippet of California; Add Tippet of Dallas; and daughter-in-law Mrs. Mae Tippet of Greenville. The Journal extends to these good people our sincere sympathy.

Friday April 11 W. A. WOOD PASSES AWAY AT MINERAL WELLS

W. A. Wood, who has lived here for many years, but was drilling a well near Mineral Wells, and had moved his family there temporarily, passed away in that city last Sunday after a few week’s illness caused from acute bright’s disease. He was

taken suddenly ill and was never able to be moved home after the first attack. Mr. Wood was born in Lincoln Neb., 1875, was married to Miss Bessie Tate, Sept. 1911. Two children were born to them, but one died while quite young. Those who survive him are his widow and one son Tate Wood, his mother who is 82 years of age, went to Mineral Wells with her two sons, Bob and Fred of Lincoln, Neb., to visit him. Leaving for their home a few days before he passed away. Three sisters also survive him who were not able to be present at the funeral.

Funeral services were conducted at the Arlington Baptist church Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Pollard of Handley and Rev. Waters of Mineral Wells officiating. His body was laid to rest in Park Dale Cemetery.

The Journal joins their many friends in extending sincere sympathy in this sad hour.

Friday April 11 YOUNG BUSINESS MAN SHOOTSELF

Mayor W. G. Hiatt was called to Midland Monday on account of the death of his nephew James Hiatt. He was found lying across his bed, a pistol bullet through his head, while the small son in a crib nearby, gazed on wonderingly. James Hiatt was the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Hiatt who lives in Wellington, where he was buried Thursday. He was a young man and had a good business, being one of the business managers of the DeLuxe Laundry which was owned by H. M. and Carter Hiatt, Ben Thomas and himself. His grandparents Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hiatt and uncle, Mayor W. G. Hiatt and other relatives and friends are left to mourn this tragedy.

Friday April 18 New Covering for [Arlington's] Mineral Well

Ben Wilson has the past week completed the new top for the City Mineral Well, which has made it very attractive in its new dress of red, white and blue, with a cover which is one of beauty and also of durability. The flower pots on the four corners will soon be filled with some pretty flowers, so Mr. Shelton will have something to do besides waiting on water customers. This is one spot in the city that most every one has a special interest in, for it not only supplies Arlington people with mineral water, but people come far and near to get it. There is one

family in Dallas who comes each week, and sometimes twice a week for the water, and if others feel that it means so much to them, of course Arlington people appreciate it more so.

And from a local historical perspective . . .

1842: Sam Houston considered Jonathan Bird's request for title to the Bird's Fort property and decided it would be illegal to break the earlier Peter's Colony contract. This action ended Bird's hopes for land titles for himself and his settlers, but he continued to petition for reimbursement for his own funds exhausted in establishing the first Arlington Settlement. . . . Williams and Barker, *The Writings of Sam Houston: 1813-1863*. 7 Vols. Austin: The University Press. 1938.

Closing Note: The AGS Newsletter welcomes individual contributions. Your comments, suggestions and contributions are sincerely appreciated. The editor, Pete Jacobs.

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The Arlington Genealogical Society (AGS) was established on October 27, 1970, and incorporated on May 18, 1971.

AGS is a federal and state approved 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation relying wholly on member volunteers at all levels within the corporation.

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Membership Form

Name(s): _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ - _____

Phone: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Renewal New Member Date: _____

Individual: \$15 _____ Family: \$20 _____

Please make check payable to Arlington Genealogical Society

Mail form with payment to:

AGS PO Box 373, Arlington, Texas 76004-0373

Surnames you are researching:

Surname	State	County	Surname	State	County

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