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Upcoming Regular Monthly Meeting

Monday (June 26, 2006)

Fort Worth Central Library – Auditorium 6:30 pm: Coffee 7:00 pm: Program

"Finding Your Ancestral Land Using Family Maps"

Locating an ancestor's land on historical maps is often a long and confusing process. Arphax Publishing Company of Norman, Oklahoma, has simplified this search in their series of Family Maps Land Patent Books. Family Maps are collections of historical and modern maps showing the location of general Land Office patents with patentee's names, cemetery locations, drainage features, railroads, and modern roads broken down by township for selected counties. These maps are a rich tool to use in finding clues to one's ancestry, locating neighbors, and finding possible marriage partners, in a way tax lists and census records cannot do.

Our speaker, Gregory A. Boyd, attorney, software engineer, and family historian, created these one of a kind, customized maps and books. The Family Maps series of Land Patent Books are published, county by county, state by state, for original settlers whose purchases are indexed in the U. S. Bureau of land Management database (www.glorecords.blm.gov). See http://www.arphax.com/ for more information. Family Maps are on their way to the Fort Worth Public Library. Don't miss your chance to meet the creator of this important project.

*Parking is free on the meters around the Library after 6:00 pm and in the Sundance Parking Lot on 3rd and Taylor after 7:00 pm.

WELCOME - The Society wishes to welcome the following new members: Bonnie Bruinton, Peggy Quinn, David T. Andrews, Joyce McReynolds and DAR Library in Washington D.C.

We welcome all of our new members. This is the first year since around1990 where our membership has grown compared to the previous year. We have added 42 new members thus far in 2006, but we must continue to build our membership base. Your dues help to support quality programs and the continued publication of Footprints. You are also supporting our exchange program where we trade Footprints for quarterlies from 103 societies across the nation. The publications received through the exchange program are donated to the Genealogy and Local History Unit in the Central Library and are made available for your use. A list of these quarterlies can be found in your February Footprints.

Membership dues alone aren't paying the bills, so as a Fund Raiser, we are hosting an all day seminar, Saturday August 12th, called "Lunch With Lloyd." Lloyd Bockstruck is our speaker and his topics will be "Research in Virginia," "Migration from Virginia and the Carolinas" and "Research in the Dallas Public Library." There will be vendors present and door prizes will be given away. The cost for this event is \$30 per person until August 1st and \$35 thereafter. A deli buffet lunch is included. A registration form is enclosed. More information can be found on the FWGS website. Seating is limited so please register right away to show your support for FWGS.

Contact Rob Yoder if you have any questions about your membership. (817) 535-7931 or RGYoder@juno.com.

FWGS Calendar

Regular Monthly Meeting
Monday, July 31, 2006
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Fort Worth Public Library - Central
Auditorium
500 West 3rd, Fort Worth, Texas
Program: Cite Your Sources

Speaker: John Wylie

Computer Users Group
Monday July 10, 2006
7:00 pm – 9:00pm
Topic: To be announced
Speaker: To be announced
Fort Worth Public Library - Central
Intel Computer Lab
500 West 3rd, Fort Worth, Texas

MONTHLY DAY WORKSHOP (All Members Are Welcome!) Wednesday, July 14, 2006 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Topic: Arkansas Research Southwest Regional Library 4001 Library lane (off Hulen) Fort worth, Texas

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING (All Members Are Welcome!) Saturday July 15, 2006
10:00 AM –12:00noon
Southwest Regional Library
4001 Library Lane (off Hulen)
Fort Worth, Texas

Beginners Workshop Saturday, June 24, 2006 10:30a.m.-12:30p.m. **Topic: Using the Federal Census for Family Research** Chappell Meeting room Central Library A few days after "Lunch With Lloyd," we will take the Trinity Railway Express to Dallas for a field trip to the Dallas Library's Genealogy Department. Train fare is just a few dollars per person. No other fees are required. Details are forthcoming.

ON-LINE REMINDERS – If you would like to receive Society announcements in your e-mail box, visit our website and click on "Mailing List". http://www.rootsweb.com/~txfwgs/

Beginners classes – Bettye Richhart is conducting a beginners workshop series the fourth Saturday of each month, from 10:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. in the Chappell meeting room. The June session is "Using the Federal census for Family research". The complete schedule is on the FWGS web page listed above. You can also contact Bettye at bettye.a@richhart.net.

Genealogy Announcement

Road to the Past

Texas State Genealogy Society 2006 Conference at the MacGorman Conference Center, 1701 W. Boyce Ave., Fort Worth, Texas, October 27 and 28, 2006. The speakers will be J. Mark Rowe, CG and Pamela Boyer Porter, CGRS, CGL. The conference is hosted by the Mid-Cities Genealogy Society, Euless, TX. Visit www.tsgs.org for online information and registration or call 1-877-474-4769. You can also visit the FWGS web page, http://www.rootsweb.com/~txfwgs/, for a downloadable registration form.

FWGS Monthly Events Jan. thru Nov.

1st Day	Newsletter Deadline	Contact Newsletter Editor*
2 nd Monday	Computer Users Group	Fort Worth Public Library Central
2 nd Thursday	Monthly Day Meeting	Fort Worth Public Library Southwest Regional
3 rd Saturday	Board Meeting	Fort Worth Public Library Southwest Regional
Last Monday	Regular Monthly Meeting	Fort Worth Public Library – Central
4 th Saturday	Beginner's Workshop	Fort Worth Public Library Central

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