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Coming Genealogy Events

General Meeting

Tuesday, September 28, 2010, 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM Fort Worth Library – Tandy Lecture Hall 500 W. 3rd Street

Subject: The Life and Times of John Austin, Constable of Cornwall Parish, Lunenburg Co, VA 1680-1759 Speaker: Jane Austin Bruckner

Come hear about the life and experiences of living in Southside Virginia when Virginia was a Royal Colony. What did a Constable do? What was a Parish? How did the Parish Church maintain moral and religious codes? Learn about the building of Fort Christianna and the Eastern Woodland Indians. See some fascinating insights of this early period before the American Revolution.

Contact Janie Pace for more information - (817) 428-5918 or jhpacerd@charter.net

Computer Group Meeting

Finished for the year. Resuming January 2011

Contact Clois Richardson for more information - cloisrich@sbcglobal.net

Board of Director's Meeting

Saturday, September 18, 2010 10:00 AM – Noon Fort Worth Library, Southwest Branch 4100 Library Lane at Hulen Auditorium All members welcome

Beginners Workshop Series

Finished for the year. Resuming January 2011

Events of August 2010

August 11, 2010 Fort Worth's National Archives Regional Library to Move

The public research room of the National Archives and Records Administration in Fort Worth is planning to move from a low-profile, 1940s-era building on the city's south side to a high-profile, 1920s-era building on the west side. The research room will relocate to 4,600 square feet on the ground level of Montgomery Plaza, 2600 W. Seventh St., a rather large shopping center.

People visiting the old location often complained that it is hard to find and getting past the guard gate can be intimidating. Preston Huff, the archives' regional administrator in Fort Worth, said the new location will be much easier for visitors to reach. Newsletter reader Betty Clay points out that the new location is in the old Montgomery Ward mail order building on a very busy street near downtown, and only a few blocks from the 'cultural center' of theaters, museums, football stadium, parks, etc. The new location will be easy to access. Clay quipped, "It will be quite a change."

The research room will have 10 computers linked to online databases, as well as a few microfilm readers. It will also have a learning center for teachers who want to know how the archives can help them in the classroom.

Posted by Dick Eastman on August 11, 2010 in Current Affairs | Permalin

2010 Summer Seminar Saturday August 14, 2010 Trinity Terrace Fort Worth, Texas

We had a high attendance at the seminar this year. Lloyd Bockstruck (presenter), the facilities, and the lunch were excellent.

Lecture 1 covered North Carolina together with an extensive bibliography.

Lecture 2 covered The Society of Friends alias the Quakers.

Lecture 3 discussed the migrations of the Scots and Ulster Scots.

Lecture 4 covered the Loyalists.

Monthly General Meeting August 28, 2010 Subject:

Historic Texas Cemetery Designations and the Texas Historical Marker Application Process Presenters:

Susan Taylor and Jo Pirtle from the Tarrant County Historical Commission

The two speakers discussed in detail how to go about getting a Texas Historical Marker and some of the historical cemeteries in Tarrant County.

The Texas Historical Commission regulates and authorizes historical markers. Essentially, Continued on next page

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you obtain the proper forms from the Commission. Submit the completed form to the county historical commission (there is one for each county) together with a \$100 non refundable fee during the application window. Then, if permission is granted, the applicant buys the desired marker, and the local authorities install the marker.

Full details can be obtained from:

Texas Historical Commission
History Programs Division
P. O. Box 12276
Austin, Texas 78711-2276
Phone (512)463-5853
history@thc.state.tx.us

During the second subject, historical cemeteries in Tarrant County, we discussed where some long lost cemeteries might be as well as where some very obscure sites can be found.

Another Source of Information on Early East Texas Marriages

I have been searching for A. Smith Kilgore for quite some time. He was my great great grandfather, and he married Mary J. Daniels of Upshur County, Texas, sometime before 1856. Alas, most of the marriage records from that time frame were lost during a courthouse fire.

Another researcher recently informed me of this book:

Marriage and Death Notices
The Texas Republican
Marshall, Texas
1849-1869
On page 30 of this book contains this notice:
Dec 8, 1855 Married on Tuesday the 4th inst. at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Gilbert Buie, by John Turner, Esq. Mr. A.S. Killgore, late of Mississippi to Mrs. Mary J. Daniels, of Upshur Co., Texas.

The notice is interesting as the known issue of the marriage was my great grandmother, Mary Alicia Kilgore who was born in September of 1856.

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FWGS Monthly Events January through November

First Day Newsletter Deadline Contact Newsletter Editor

Third Saturday Board Meeting Fort Worth Library – Southwest Regional

Last Tuesday Regular Monthly Meeting Fort Worth Library – Central Fourth Saturday Beginner's Workshop Fort Worth Library – Central Fourth Saturday Computer Users Group Fort Worth Library – Central

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The Library of Congress and the Harrison County Research Library have a copy of the book. Since Marshall, Texas, is the county seat of Harrison County, it is far more convenient for our members to travel to Marshall for further research.

The URL for the library is

http://www.txgenes.com/TxHarrison/GS Museum Lib/MuseumAndLibrary.htm.

The Library of Congress call number is F392.H39.C38.