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## July FWGS Meetings:

Board of Directors: Sat. Jul 21, 2018 10:15 Southwest Regional

Beginners: Sat, Jul 28, 2018
10:30-12:30 Chappell Rm--Central
Computer Users: Sat, Jul 28
2:00-4:00 Intel Lab----Central Library
General Meeting: Tues, Jul 31, 2018
6:30-7:45 Auditorium-Central

Refreshments at 6:00

July Refreshments:

Can You Help With One Month?

web site: www.TXFWGS.org

#### JULY

#### **GENERAL MEETING**

The next general meeting will be Tuesday, July 31, 2018 in the Tandy Auditorium of the Central Branch Library. The program will be "Writing About My Ancestors Made Me a Better Genealogist" by Judy Ramos. This is a new topic by Judy so come be the first to hear her.

6:30 - 7:45 p.m. Refreshments begin at 6:00 p.m., with the meeting starting at 6:30.



#### **JUDY RAMOS**

became interested in her family's genealogy in the sixth grade in

Corpus Christi, TX. She's been doing it ever since, doing research to join 11 Lineage societies. Her roots stretch from Texas to around the globe.

In her former career in TV, reporting and communications, she had to write. Now she writes in genealogy too. This presentation will show us how her genealogical writing helped her to learn more about her ancestors. Judy will show you how to go beyond names, dates, and places to bring your ancestors' stories to life using easy and practical tips you can use immediately.

Park Free on Meters after 6 P.M.
OR

2.5 hrs FREE in 3<sup>rd</sup> St Garage with validation at the Library desk.

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# FW LIBRARY NEWS

Did You Know?

Now your FW Library card must be renewed once a year. If you have not filed an email address on your library card you might not receive a reminder to renew.

# **Holiday Hours:**

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{INDEPENDENCE DAY} \\ \text{July } 4^{\text{th}} & \textbf{Closed} \\ \text{All Branches will be closed.} \end{array}$ 

# NATIONAL ARCHIVES--FORT WORTH

NARA will be closed on Independence Day, Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> as well.

# **June FWGS Meeting**

Pearl Dill, made her very first visit to FWGS and spoke on a topic that was of interest to all genealogists-**Deciphering Old Handwriting.** She provided a lengthy handout with examples of how letters have changed over time. She also covered common abbreviations or handwriting shortcuts that were used at different time periods. Sometimes the key to "translating" difficult script begins with knowing the date it was written. Practices changed over times and in different locations. Knowing something about marks of punctuation in foreign languages can be valuable as well.



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