

DCGS NEWS

D E N T O N C O U N T Y G E N E A L O G I C A L S O C I E T Y

NOVEMBER MEETING THURSDAY NOV 14, 2019



1896- Denton County Courthouse-

PROGRAM: “Census Sense: Clues and Conundrums for Intermediate Researchers”

SPEAKER: Patti Gillespie

The Denton County Genealogical Society meets on the second Thursday during the months on September-November and January-May. 6:30 P.M. Denton Public Library, Emily Fowler Central Library, 502 Oakland St., Denton, TX 76201 www.genealogydentontexas.org



This month’s features speaker is Patti Gillespie who will present the program, *Census Sense: Clues & Conundrums for Intermediate Researchers*. This presentation focuses on federal census headings and codes, alternate federal censuses, state censuses, and their use in our research. The partnership between the national census website and the use of state censuses in revealing information about our ancestors is demonstrated in story form. The value of a research timeline is also demonstrated.

An English and French teacher for 20 years, Patti Gillespie, BA, MA, now enjoys a career of genealogical instruction and research. Patti began speaking on genealogical topics to local societies and genealogy seminars and liked it so much that she kept right on. She is a committee chairman for the Association of Professional Genealogists (APG), and she is active in her local Genealogical and County Historical Association activities. Patti also has started Family Lines, her own research and life story business, and can be found on Linked In.

The Denton County Genealogical Society will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, November 14, 2019. Refreshments and networking will start at 6:30 p.m. at the Emily Fowler Central Library, 502 Oakland Street, and the meeting and program will begin at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Check your calendars and plan to attend our next meeting on November 14 when Patti Gillespie will make another helpful and informative presentation. We appreciate her very much and are always delighted to have her join us.

The Annual Genealogy Lock-In at the Emily Fowler Library on October 18 was another great success and very well attended. Hats off to Laura Douglas and her team for a day loaded with knowledge.

When Bob and Linda Lane contact you to take your turn bringing refreshments, please do so. Our social time before the business meeting is important and enjoyable.

November is our last meeting of 2019. Thank a veteran and remember all of those who fought for our freedom over the centuries, including the 58,479 young veterans, average age less than 19, who died in Viet Nam.

Our January 2020 meeting will be a Round Robin (no guest speaker) where you tell stories and share puzzles. I am looking forward to an update then by the GenPen group. We will discuss and vote on several Bylaws amendments. I plan to email those to you in early December and again in early January.

Remember to arrive at our meetings at 6:30 p.m. so you don't miss a minute of welcoming guests and talking to fellow members. Always wear your lanyards and name tags so we know who you are.

Happy Thanksgiving, Merry Christmas, and Happy New Year,
Joe Spears
Email: argyleiris@verizon.net



TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance October 1, 2019 **\$3,231.42**

Deposits:

2019-2020 Dues \$100.00

Total Deposits: **\$100.00**

Disbursements:

Memorial to FHC \$50.00

Books purchased for
for library \$636.19

Total Disbursements **\$686.19**

Balance Oct. 31, 2019 **\$2,645.23**

Library Donations

April 1995 – May 2006 \$2,876.52

June 2006 – June 2012 \$3,310.00

July 2012 – October 2019 \$2,597.53

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Touraine, Treasurer

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OCT 2019 MINUTES

President Joe Spears called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance. He introduced himself and welcomed everyone. President Spears thanked Bob and Linda Lane for assuming Hospitality Committee duties. In turn, they thanked the individual members who brought refreshments for tonight's meeting.

Membership Chairman Deb Reed introduced new member Arthur Medrano. There were 26 members in attendance.

BUSINESS

Motion was made by Eric Kaszynski and seconded by Linda Lane to approve the minutes of the September meeting as published in the newsletter. The treasurer's report, also published in the newsletter, was filed for audit.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

President Spears proposed a \$50 contribution be made on behalf of the Society to the Denton Family History Center in memoriam for the wife of Eric Kaszynski. The motion passed unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The annual Library Lock-In is this Friday, October 18. Attendance is free, but registration is

required. Librarian Laura Douglas announced the evening meal will be supplied by Cartwright's.

The GenPen Writers Group's next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, October 20.

The next Genealogy Meetup is scheduled for Friday, October 25.

The Society's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 14. Speaker Patti Gillespie will discuss the U.S. census.

The DFW Archives Bazaar is scheduled for Saturday, November 2.

Details on these and other upcoming events are outlined in the DCGS newsletter.

PROGRAM

Laura Douglas introduced the speaker, Dr. Ana Krahmer of the University of North Texas. Dr. Krahmer presented an overview of the University's Portal to Texas History. Her colleague presented a step-by-step demonstration on how to search the Portal's vast collection of Texas newspapers.

Bob Lane made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Beth Leggeri. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Minna Marinko, Secretary



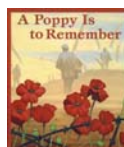
CELEBRATE OUR VETERANS

Veterans Day is a time for us to pay our respects to those who have served. For one day, we stand united in respect for you, our veterans.

This holiday started as a day to reflect upon the heroism of those who died in our country's service and was originally called [Armistice Day](#). It fell on Nov. 11 because that is the anniversary of the signing of the

Armistice that ended World War I. However, in 1954, the holiday was changed to "Veterans Day" in order to account for all veterans in all wars.

We celebrate and [honor America's veterans](#) for their patriotism, love of country and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.



Filae.com LAUNCHES ENGLISH LANGUAGE SITE and FACILITATES ACCESS to 1.5 BILLION NAMES FROM FRENCH RECORDS

Filae's French collection opens the door for non-French-speaking people to discover their family stories online; 40 million people in the world (excluding France) claim French descent.

Paris, France – September, 18, 2019 – Filae.com, the world's largest online resource for accessing French official records, today announced the launch of its first foreign language international sister-site: <https://en.filae.com>.

With more than 40 million people in the world claiming French heritage, the launch of an English language version of **Filae.com** gives all of them an unprecedented and exclusive access to more than 150 million images of French Census and Vital records (birth, marriage, death) which have been indexed by Filae.com. As Elvis Presley, Alec Baldwin, Angelina Jolie, Jessica Alba, Kurt Cobain, Warren Buffett, Hillary Clinton and many other celebrities, 4% of the US population, 17% of Argentinians and 14% of Canadians have French roots!

« The launch of Filae.com is just the beginning of a more global strategy whose aim is to facilitate access to the largest resource of French records and to help people with French descent tracing back their ancestry whatever their language is and wherever they live! We are thrilled

to share information we digitized and indexed with family history fans all over the world.» said Toussaint Roze, CEO and founder of Filae.com

Starting as early as 1500, Filae's French historical collection features records such as Parish registers, Civil records, Census and vital records, Passenger lists, Military records (Napoleonic wars, WWI, WWII), Indexes provided by French societies, Directories and many other historical records (French revolution, etc) Filae.com also provides its users with easy-to-use tools to build their own trees or import their gedcom files, upload photos and documents and share them with other members.

About Filae.com

Launched in December 2016, Filae.com is the first and largest resource for French digitized and indexed records online.

The service was created by Toussaint Roze, a French serial - entrepreneur dedicated to genealogy who previously created successful online services like notrefamille.com, genealogie.com and gedlink. Filae.com hosts and indexes more than 150 million digitisations of French original records for the XVIIIth and XIXth centuries.

NOTE: <http://filae.com> is in French while <http://en.filae.com> is in English.

NEWS AND PROGRAMS FROM THE LIBRARY

In the Spring the Society voted to donate funds to purchase books for the Genealogy Collection. The first of the books have been ordered and will be available soon at the library. The first order included these titles.

Harrison County Cemetery Index Vol. 1
 Harrison County Cemetery Index Vol. 2
 Czechs in Grey and Blue, Too!
 Czech Emigration and Nat. Records in TX
 Lavaca Co Naturalization Records & Marriages 1860-1900
 Veovice- Birth Records from 1625-1950
 Czechs in Uniform, Vol. I & II
 Czechs in Uniform, Vol. III
 Early Czech Schools
 Index to Naturalization Papers (3/1/1847 – 1/18/1927)
 1,500 names
 Comal Cemetery Complete listing of all known burials including those without tombstones from 1873 to 2001, over 8,000 listings
 Klaener's German Colonists arriving at Galveston between July 1845 – Jan. 1846
 Caldwell County Kin - The First 150 Years
 Where Roots Intertwin - Full name index (Caldwell County)

Denton County Genealogical Society

Meet fellow genealogists, share tips, & learn new information.

11/14 – Census Sense: Clues & Conundrums for Intermediate Researchers” presented by Patty Gillespie
 1/09—”Eureka, Epiphany, and Serendipity” Members Round Table Discussion & GenPen presentation
 2/13—Southern Manuscript Collections presented by Ari Wilkins
 3/12—Proving Your Lineage to a Patriot of the War of the Revolution by Jane Sanzone and Donna Spears

4/16—Using Genealogy in Criminal Investigation by Chris Womack

5/15—Business Meeting/ Election of Officers/ Round Robin Members Round Table Discussion
Thu. Emily Fowler 6:30 p.m.

Genealogy Meet-up

Do you love talking about your genealogy research or family history? This meetup is the place to share and learn from others. Ask questions, share your knowledge, get help with your brick walls, and have access to the library and internet genealogical resources. Bring your laptops and light refreshments will be provided. Beginners to experts, all are welcome.

Fri. 11/22, 12/27

Emily Fowler Central Library 9:30 a.m.

GenPen

A writers group for those interested in turning their genealogical research into narratives of their family history. Topics have included distribution methodology, writing process tools, and sharing of narrative drafts for members' input.

Sun. 11/17

Sun Emily Fowler 2-4 p.m.

Save Your Memories

Learn about the digital conversion equipment that can be used to preserve your family history by converting your photos, home videos, and paper documents to digital formats. Discover the equipment and software available in The Legacy Lab at Emily Fowler Central Library.

Fri 11/15 Emily Fowler 3 p.m.

2018-2020 OFFICERS

President—Joe Spears

Vice-President—Erik Kaszynski

Secretary—Minna Marinko

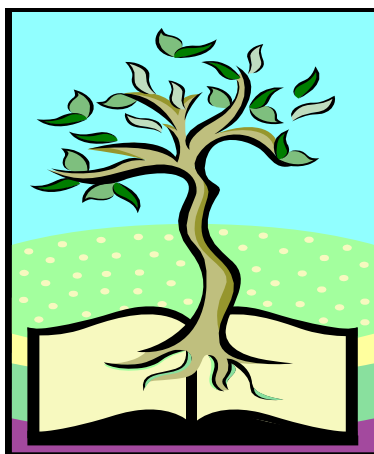
Treasurer—Linda Touraine

Librarian—Laura Douglas

Webmaster—Chris Strauss

Membership— Deb Reed

Newsletter Editor—Kathy Strauss



**NEXT MEETING OF THE
 DENTON COUNTY
 GENEALOGICAL
 SOCIETY WILL BE ON
 January 9, 2020
 Emily Fowler Central
 Library
 502 Oakland St.
 Denton**

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