



# Dallas County Pioneer Association

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FALL 2003

## QUARTERLY MEETING

**When: Thursday, September 4, 2003**  
**Catered Dinner: 6:00 p.m.**  
**Program: 7:00 p.m.**

**Where: Family Hall of Royal Lane Baptist Church**  
**Hillcrest Road and Royal Lane**

**What: Speaker—Clare Weakley on "The Dallas Hunting and Fishing Club"**

**Why: Interesting Dallas history, great fellowship, good food!**

**Make reservations by Tuesday September 2 by calling DCPA Call Notes at 214/969-0926, or Bill McRae at 214/521-8654.**  
**Cost is \$8.00/plate.**

In 1992 Clare G. Weakley, Jr., wrote a book, *The Dallas Hunting and Fishing Club*, a thorough research of the historical background of the oldest club of its type in Texas. Established in 1885, six months before the birth of *The Dallas Morning News*, it is Dallas' second oldest existing club (Idlewild, 1884). Clare's personal connection with it began in 1936 when his father joined and included eight-year-old Clare in his outings there.

The Club became a retreat for Dallas' leading businessmen, many of them Civil War veterans, where they came to know and respect each other, and, Clare says, it became the breeding ground for that renowned "Dallas Spirit".

Traditionally a businessman, Clare received a miraculous and unexpected call to Christ's ministry in 1956. He earned a Master of Theology degree at S M U in 1967, supporting his ministry through his insurance brokerage business.

"The Chaplain", as Clare is known, has over forty years' experience in his specialty of teaching and counseling. He is non-denominational, to better act as chaplain to all people. He has published five books on England's eighteenth century non-denominational Wesleyan revival, known as "The Wesley Library for Today's Readers." He has made eight visits to the USSR and has taught free enterprise business management and Christian business ethics at what is now the St. Petersburg International Management Institute.

Clare is listed in *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in the World*, *Who's Who in Finance and Industry*, and *Who's Who in the South and Southwest*.

And, we are most happy to say that he is a cherished member of DCPA!

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Sisters Susan Cargile and Jimmie Ruth Woodfin, who have done extensive research in locating the Pegasus sculptures that were displayed throughout the Dallas area last year, will have a display at our September meeting. They are still trying to locate five. Can you help?

Histoian Carolyn Selzer