



Dallas County Pioneer Association

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NEWSLETTER

Past Presidents

John R. Nelms	1979
Bill Baird	1980
Lloyd Miller	1981
Earl Cullum	1983
Bill Jacoby	1984

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, March 2, 1989, Wyatt's Cafeteria, Northlake Shopping Center, Northwest Highway at Ferndale. Eat 6:00 P.M., pay cashier and sign attendance register. Program begins at 7:00. Program will be "The Great Dallas Fire of 1860" which wiped out the town. Mr. Bob Desmond, Historian at First United Methodist Church in Dallas, will present the program. Mr. Desmond is writing a book on the 142-year history of that church. Make plans to come and let's find out what really happened in this great fire.

The DCPA is dedicated to preserving the history of Dallas County and those who settled here before 1880. Anyone interested may join, regardless of when your family came.

1989 DUES: IF your dues are unpaid, please get them in to the treasurer as soon as possible as the new roster will be coming out in the near future. Dues are \$15.00 per year or \$25.00 for a couple. (Consider Life Membership now. One-time payment of \$150.00 per person or \$250.00 per couple.) Also if you have had a change in address or telephone number, please send it to the Secretary so she will be able to correct it in the new roster. Thanks.

SYMPATHY TO: Marie McMahan on recent losses of her husband Grady McMahan (a member of DCPA), her mother Mrs. Blanche Strickland and her uncle Henry Horton. Marie, you have our deep and sincere sympathy at this difficult time in your life.

NEW MEMBERS: Richard A. Brown, 3605 Sailmaker Lane, Plano, Texas 75023, Phone: 867-3416; Carole Jean (Elam) Ward, 3826 Falls Drive, Dallas 75211, Phone: 337-7674; John Emerson Collins, 1931 Ferndale Ave., Dallas 75224, Phone: 339-9245; Robert B. Cammack & Glenda Sutherland Cammack, 1117 Kenshire Lane, Richardson, Texas 75081, Phone: 644-3004; Linda Moore Rotman, 414 Easton Road, Dallas 75218, Phone: 348-2613. A WARM WELCOME TO ALL OF YOU!

WELCOME BACK: Jackie Jacoby, 4015 Killion, Dallas, Phone: 351-6338.

ROLL OF HONOR: The names of William C. McKamey and Russell and Emily Surles have been added to this roll.

SICK BAY: Our thoughts and prayers are with Russell Surles and Jackie Jacoby. President Sara's husband had surgery and doing nicely.

THE FOLLOWING DATA IS FROM NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FORMS: Richard A. Brown descends from Abel Moore, who settled in Mesquite area during the 1850's. He married in 1860, and died after 1875. His wife Susan Stewart was born in 1843 and died in 1922. Their son John Thomas Moore was born at Dallas in 1864 and died in 1924. He married at Mesquite in 1888 Addie Nance (1867-1940), daughter of T. N. Nance and wife Louise Crosby. Marguerite Moore (1897-1929), daughter of J. T. and Addie, married Aubrey Beard (1897-1948). Their daughter Margaret Louise Beard (b. 1920) married Gerald Brown (1920-1985) and they were the parents of Richard Brown.

CAROLE JEAN WARD (nee Elam) is a 6th Generation Dallas County resident, a photographer and bookkeeper. She descends from Jesse Elam (1782-1854) and his wife Rosa Evans (d. 1864) who came to Dallas County in 1847 and are listed in Peters Colony records and the 1850 Dallas County census. Their land was on Lake June Road along Prairie Creek almost to the Trinity River, and they are buried at Pleasant Mound Public Cemetery. They gave their name to Elam Station on the Texas-New Orleans Trunk Railroad, and today's Elam Road.

Jessie's son Isaac Elam (1803-1873) in 1827 married Margaret Lanham (1812-1869), and they too came in 1847. Their son Benjamin Franklin Elam (1834-1899) came too, and in 1872 married Catherine Jones (1849-1915). Their son Guy Elam (1874-1943) in 1897 married Rosa Ettie Minx (1880-1922). Their son Hugh Allen Elam (1913-1967) in 1934 married Pauline Kathryn Bridewell (1916-1981) and they were the parents of our new member Carole Jean, whose ancestor Jesse Elam was one of the very few Dallas residents who lived during the American Revolution.

JOHN EMERSON COLLINS, husband of Mildred Brannon Collins, descends from William C. Collins, born South Carolina 1810, and wife Minerva, born in Tennessee in 1820, a full-blood Choctaw Indian. Their son Leonidas Collins, (1839-1889) of Alabama and Texas, served in the Confederacy. He married in 1859 Sarah Jane Tucker (1884-1912) of Illinois and Texas. Their son John Morgan Collins of Collin County, Texas died in 1952. He married in 1894 Emma Etta Roberts of Abilene, Texas. Their son James Orval Collins (1897-1966), came to Dallas County in 1928. He and wife Eula Mae Milner (1904-1977) were the parents of this new associate member.

ROBERT B. CAMMACK: descends from Thomas Jefferson Nash, born 1808 in Virginia, who was married in 1832 in Kentucky to Elizabeth Floed, born 1817. They came in 1854 and lived 10 miles north of Dallas. He was Dallas County Representative to the Succession Convention and signed the Articles in 1861. She died in 1873 and he in 1877, with burials at Knights of Pythius Cemetery in Garland. Their son Thomas Fletcher Nash, b. 1850 Kentucky, married 1873 at Dallas County to Mary Frances Hobbs, b. 1858 Mississippi. He was Dallas County Judge and a member of the Texas Legislature in the 1880's. He died 1908 and she 1918, buried at Greenwood Cemetery in Dallas. Their daughter Lillian Nash b. 1878 at Garland, married 1901 Dallas to Robert B. Cammack (grandfather of our new member) b. 1872 at Natchitoches, La. He died 1935, she in 1956 at Dallas, buried Grove Hill Cemetery. Their son William Nash Cammack b. 1905 Dallas, married 1927 Mabel Couch b. 1906 Dallas. He died 1966 Dallas, she 1983 Plano, buried Grove Hill Cemetery. They were the parents of new member Robert B. Cammack born in 1938 Dallas, married 1964 Garland to Glenda Sutherland.

GLENDA SUTHERLAND CAMMACK born 1940 at Nacogdoches, Texas, descended from James E. Jackson b. 1826, arrived Dallas County 1846, married 1850 Dianah Jo Davis, b. 1831. They resided on a Peters Colony Land grant at present Audelia and Walnut. He died 1903, she in 1908, buried McCree Cemetery. Their son Caleb Jackson b. 1866 Texas, married 1890 Eva Green Crosby b. 1872 Mississippi. She died in 1937 Dallas, he 1949 Richardson, buried Restland. Their daughter Mary Jackson, b. 1912 Richardson, married 1934 Clint Sutherland b. 1905. He died 1984 Garland, buried at Restland. They were the parents of Glenda Sutherland who married Robert B. Cammack.

LINDA MOORE ROTMAN is welcomed as a New Associate Member (came to Dallas County in 1958), and we would like to have her family lineage to add to our Archives Collection.

BITS OF NEWS ITEMS: The 1870's home of Colonel John C. McCoy, at Commerce and Lamar Streets, was pictured in the December 25th Times Herald. He had given a Christmas gift to each of 300 kids invited to his home.

The same Herald issue featured a story by Lee Cullum on Texas Historian A. C. Greene's heart transplant in 1988. He recovered rapidly and began teaching again, serving as Director of Texas Studies at North Texas University and writing a book about heart transplants.

A new book "Texas Tracings", by Eleanor Chappell, is a history of Cochran Chapel United Methodist Church. The books are \$10.00, or \$12.00 after publication. Call the church office at 352-4889 for more information.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Reconstituted DCPA is now 10 years old! In March 1979 John Nelms called an organizational meeting at the Lucas B&B Cafe. DCPA by-laws were adopted, officers elected, and we were off and running. In June 1980 we gave \$1,000.00 to the winners of our essay contest. Meetings were moved to Wyatt's Northpark, and W. S. Baird became president in December. Lloyd Miller followed him in 1981.

Attendance dropped off in 1982, and in March 1983 Earl O. Cullum became president. Meetings moved to Wyatt's Northlake, and growth resumed. Bill Jacoby became president in March 1984, and traveled throughout the county making DCPA known. Edna Hart became president in December 1986. Sara McGee was installed in December 1988, and we now begin our 11th year of the DCPA.

ROTARY POLIO-PLUS PROGRAM: Earl O. Cullum, Past President of the 500-member Rotary Club of Dallas, has completed his portion of the Rotary International "Polio Plus" campaign designed to inoculate every child in the world against polio and other dread diseases. The seven Rotary Clubs assigned to Earl have pledged enough to inoculate two million kids, and Earl recently received a Plaque from Rotary International for his personal gifts which will provide for the inoculation of forty thousand kids.

REMINDER: A statement from the platform at the December meeting indicates that a proposed By-Laws change must be approved by the Executive Committee before it can go to the membership for decision. This is incorrect.

Article Ten of the By-Laws states any proposed amendment must be in writing, submitted to the Secretary at least 30 days prior to the meeting at which time it will be voted upon, and included in the meeting announcement sent to all members before that meeting. There is no requirement that it ever go to the Executive Committee as such.

The reason for this procedure is to retain control of the Constitution/By-Laws (and of the Association) by the Membership. Thus no officer or the Executive Committee of Officers and Past Presidents can make a change or block a proposed change. Only the majority vote of the members may do so.

As a practical matter the Executive Committee can and should propose needed changes, and may request that an unneeded proposal be withdrawn which the proposer may or may not do.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! Afternoon Pioneer Meeting April 15th (Saturday 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.) at Center For Community Corps, 2900 Live Oak Street, Dallas. Program: "LOWER SWISS AVENUE MEMORIES". Anyone with recollections of the Wilson Block Area and wish to share, please call Lucile Boykin at 341-6928 in advance, to help plan this meeting. More details later.

ANOTHER DATE TO MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR: July 16th Picnic at Winfrey's Point, White Rock Lake. We will furnish more details about this also in a later Newsletter.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES: Will have a few to distribute, so please ask about yours if you have not received it. These are lovely and something to cherish, so be sure that you get yours.

REMINDER: If you know of any illness, deaths or other news items that should be brought to our attention, will you please contact Mary Cullum, Secretary, so she can pass the word along. Thanks. How about some of you men, know what organizations you belong to are doing in their projects, let us hear so the membership can congratulate you on your worthwhile endeavors. This is a good way to get to know each other better and that is important.

PRESIDENT SARA'S GOALS: To reach a membership of 200 this year and to get started on Volume Two of Pioneer Families of Dallas County. Be thinking about this. Getting new members is a responsibility to each of us.

At our December Meeting we had a total of seventy-three registered guests and members. Our meeting date falls on Texas Independence Day, so let's have a large turnout to celebrate this grand day. This is also our first meeting of the New Year 1989. GIVE OUR NEW PRESIDENT A BIG WARM WELCOME! We will be looking forward to seeing you.

Mary M. Cullum
Secretary



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