



Dallas County Pioneer Association

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NEWSLETTER

WINTER 1989

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, December 7, 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 "DALLAS UNDER THE REPUBLIC OF TEXAS", presented by Michael V. Hazel, native Dallasite and fifth-generation Texan, who is Historian with the Dallas Historical Society. Mike received his B.A. in History from SMU, and his M.A. and Ph.D from the University of Chicago. From 1981 to 1988 he worked for the Dallas County Heritage Society at Old City Park, first as Researcher/Historian and then as Curator of Education. He is also the editor of Legacies, a new regional history magazine published jointly by the Heritage Society and the Historical Society.

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.

1990 DUES: Will be due January 1, 1990. 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.) Why not pay dues at December Meeting and save your 25¢ postage? Thanks.

"PROUD HERITAGE: PIONEER FAMILIES OF DALLAS COUNTY" book: How about purchasing one of these wonderful and informative books for a loved one as a Christmas Present while we still have a few copies left? Cost \$32.40 if picked up and \$35.10 if delivered.

SYMPATHY TO: The Russell Surles family on his death October 5th. This family has contributed so much of their time and talents to this organization and Russell will be missed by all of us. Our deep sympathy to Marian Cleary Tate on the death of her husband Dr. Willis Tate. He was well known to many of our members, and was loved and respected by all. He was a great athlete, a great University President and Chancellor, a great Christian, and a great man. We shall miss him. You have our love and prayers.

NEW MEMBERS: Mrs. Virginia McDowell Stallings, 4821 Abrams Road, Dallas 75214 - Phone: 368-7600; Mrs. Helen Stark Williams, 7048 Spring Valley, Dallas 75240 - Phone: 239-4326.

CHANGE OF ADDRESSES: Evert E. Jackson, 311 S. Texas Street, Richardson, Texas: 75081 - Same Phone; Edward Earl Cullum, 1905 Meadowcreek, Plano, Texas 75074 - Same Phone No.

THE FOLLOWING DATA IS FROM NEW MEMBER APPLICATION FORM: Mrs. Helen Stark Williams descends from Mark Robertson (1811-1879) who came from Tennessee in 1877 with wife Elizabeth Harris (1813-1879), and resided at Kleburg. Their daughter Alice (1859-1913) married Martin C. Glenn (1849-1930) and they too came in 1877. Their daughter Opha (1884-1955) married Charles T. Stark (1882-1961), and they became the parents of Helen, widow of the late Audra Arthur Williams, with whom she reared three children. Helen is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Colonial Dames of America, and Magna Charta Dames. Her grandfather Martin C. Glenn (above) was a large landholder and community leader at Kleburg. He bred and sold horses and

Past Presidents

Col. John C. McCoy	1875	Col. Epps G. Knight	1910	Dr. William B. Baird	1980	William H. Jacoby Jr.	1984
Maj. John H. Brown	1887	Col. Murrell E. Buckner	1943	Lloyd Miller	1981	Edna J. Hart	1986
Capt. R. Alex Rawlins	1895	John R. Nelms	1979	Col. Earl G. Cullum	1983	Sara H. McGee	1988

mules, started s State Bank, built the first brick buildings at Kleburg, and brought in the first automobiles.

Mrs. Virginia McDowell Stallings is the daughter of George M. McDowell and his wife Bettie Anna Joplin, who are buried at Texarkana. Virginia was born in Oklahoma and married Paul Geron Stallings. She has resided in Dallas since childhood, and is a retired legal secretary. She is also a member of the Daughters of The American Revolution.

1990 NOMINATIONS: Edna J. Hart, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, submits the following slate of officers for Year 1990:

President.....Sara J. McGee
Vice-President.....Mattie L. Hughes
Secretary.....Mary M. Cullum
Treasurer.....John C. Winniford
Historian.....Marcelle H. Hull

Nominations can be made from the floor prior to the election at December Meeting. Past Presidents Earl O. Cullum 1983, William F. Jacoby 1984 and Edna Hart 1986 will follow the usual custom of serving on the organization's Board of Directors and William F. Jacoby will continue to serve as Public Relations Officer.

"ROLL OF HONOR" NOMINATIONS: Charles B. Gillespie - DCPA Vice-President for 33 years, during which he kept the organization moving

Mary Marcelle Hull - Who has brought many outstanding programs to DCPA

PLEASE NOTE: Our meeting room is open to us at 5:00 P.M. for eating, visiting, so come early if you can, for fellowship and getting better acquainted.

We had seventy-eight (78) members and guests registered at our September Meeting. The late arrivals sometime fail to get registered, so please be sure to register. We need the support of all our members and urge you to attend as regularly as possible. We clear our tables, pay our bills before the program, and invite guests and new members to our meetings. We do not smoke up our meeting room, or talk when others are listening to the speaker. WE ARE A GOOD GROUP!

1952 DCPA PICNIC: A yellowed newspaper clipping (from Martha C. Henderson) recalls the 1952 DCPA picnic at Lee Park, attended by 350 Pioneers who consumed 400 bottles of milk, 200 bottles of orange juice, and 10 gallons of ice cream. This was listed as the 77th Annual DCPA gathering (but no record has been found of such meetings in many of the intervening years).

At this 1952 picnic R. J. Matthews, born in 1859, recalled Sherman's famous march through Georgia during the Civil War. A. V. Hester, born in 1860, once drove cattle down Commerce Street in Dallas. Mrs. H. H. Jacoby was born in 1868 in a log cabin on the Red River. Mrs. Annie Glover Sims was born in Dallas in 1883.

A. C. GREENE'S DALLAS NEWS COLUMN OF SEPTEMBER 24, 1989: Listed 45 early Dallas area postoffices, data worth repeating in case anyone missed it:

PRESENT

Carrollton
Garland

Grand Prairie
Irving
Lancaster
Scyene
Arlington
Fort Worth
Paris

FORMER

Trinity Mills
Duck Creek, Embree, Housley
Rose Hill
Dechman
Gorbett, Kit
Pleasant Run
Prairie Creek
Johnson's Station
Birdville
Pin Hook

GONE FOREVER

Alpha	Locust Shade
Arnold	Mud
Audelia	New Hope
Bug Eye	Orphans Home
Cain	Oak Cliff
Calhoun	Oasis
Cement	Palace Hill
Chaha	Pleasant Valley
Eagle Ford	Rawlins
Hale Station	Reinhardt
Haught's Store	Reunion
Havanna	Sprowls
Jim Town	Ten Mile
Joe's Branch	Tripp
Letot	Vickery
Lisbon	Virginia

MORE A. C. GREENE DATA: A. C. Greene's charming book "TEXAS SKETCHES" contains 65 articles, ranging from John Neely Bryan and Captain Mabel Gilbert, Cedar Springs and Preston Road, Turtle Creek and the Dallas name, to Dealey Plaza and the Cotton Bowl, Big Tex and Preston Hollow, and Belle Starr and Bonnie and Clyde.

Along the way is the first jail and the first street railway, bridge over the Trinity, Love Field and Pacific Avenue, Merrill Cemetery and Cumberland Hill School, and Colonel Belo and the Dallas Gold Rush. Hord's Ridge, Duck Creek, Lancaster, Irving, Carrollton and Highland Park are also covered; and Bird's Fort, the Chisholm Trail, Fort Worth, the Alamo, San Antonio, El Paso, Austin, Houston, Galveston and many, many more.

Some of these stories are already familiar, but not in the charming way they are told here. Only Greene could create a heartwarming human interest story of a pioneer Dallas area girl crippled by polio, who later married, reared six children and led a full life by "scooting" around, and then got her first wheelchair at age fifty.

CONGRATULATIONS TO: Margaret Ann Thetford who has completed ten years of her FAMILY TREE Column in the Dallas Morning News. Her November 9th Column recalls those ten years and gives some valuable tips, observations and pointers for her readers. If you missed it, maybe the Secretary will make a copy for you.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Leanne Pilcher, Rural Route 4, Box 222, Gilmer, Texas 75644. Coye Hawpe, 813 Link Drive, #43, Duncanville, Texas 75116, Phone: 214-709-4665.

This is our last meeting of the Year 1989 and we hope you will be able to attend. Several members have been present at every meeting and we are proud of your perfect attendance. Do try to attend our meetings if possible.

A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON TO YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES AND MAY THE NEW YEAR BRING YOU AN ABUNDANCE OF ALL THE GOOD THINGS LIFE HAS TO OFFER.

Mary M. Cullum
Secretary



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