



Dallas County Pioneer Association

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P.O. Box 12496, Dallas, Texas 75225-12496

NEWSLETTER

SPRING 1990

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, March 1, 1990, 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 "POSTAL HISTORY OF DALLAS 1850-1936", presented by Mr. Gordon Bleuler. In addition to his extremely valuable 50-year collection of stamps, he has gathered a wealth of memorabilia on the Confederacy, Zeppelins, on Oklahoma and Indian Territory, and on much other early history. Surely his talk will be most interesting for all of us.

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: Were 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).

SYMPATHY TO: Past President Edna Hart and her family on the death of her husband Charles Eugene Hart, Sr. Also to the family of Georgia Myers Ogle, Historian of the Dallas County Pioneer Association 1980-1981.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Mary Nell Clampitt, Presbyterian Village, nursing wing, Room 342, 8600 Skyline Drive, Dallas 75243, Phone: 349-3960.
William F. Jacoby, Jr., 5515 Glen Lakes Drive, Dallas 75231, Phone: 368-3665.
John Runnels Nelms, 7209 Crooked Oak Drive, Dallas 75248, Phone: 248-5059 & 248-5060.

TELEPHONE NO. CHANGES: Robert McCutcheon 771-5576 and Richard A. Brown 618-2717.

WELCOME BACK: Mary L. McCutcheon, Route 4, Box 104M, Rockwall, Texas 75087, Phone: (214) 771-5576.

NEW MEMBERS: Gladys Skiles, 309 Scenic Drive, Forney, Texas 75126, Phone: (214) 771-6308; Janecia June Bell LaRoe, 2009 Patton Street, Garland, Texas 75041, Phone: 271-6342; A. C. Greene (Honorary), 4359 Shirley Drive, Dallas 75229, Phone: 358-4624.

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 fifty (50) members and guests registered at our December Meeting. Attendance was down due to bad weather. 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.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES ON HAND TO BE DISTRIBUTED: A. C. Greene; Virginia McDowell Stallings; Helen Stark Williams; Juanita Durden Williams. Please see Secretary at meeting.

REMINDER: Please give the Secretary any news items that you wish to share with the membership, and also any news of illness or deaths among our organization. Thanks.

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Past Presidents

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

LEGACIES REVIEW: This beautiful 48-Page Magazine, a "HISTORY JOURNAL FOR DALLAS AND NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS", is published by The Dallas County Heritage Society and The Dallas Historical Society, and edited by Dr. Michael V. Hazel, speaker at the December 1989 Dallas County Pioneer Association Meeting. The Fall 1989 issue contained excellent articles on Frances Killen Smith's 1857-60 Dallas diary, LaReunion Colony, the 1860's Freedmen's Bureau, Dallas Public Housing in the 1930's-60's period, and Confederate Monuments in the Dallas area. Four existing monuments are detailed in this article, written by Steve Butler.

The 1897 Confederate Monument was erected at City Park by the Daughters of the Confederacy. It features a 25-foot shaft bearing an 8½-foot Confederate Soldier, surrounded at ground level by statues of Jefferson Davis and Generals Robert E. Lee, Albert Sidney Johnston and Stonewall Jackson, with an added medallion depicting General William L. Cabell, four-time Dallas Mayor. Made of Texas granite with statues of Italian marble, it was moved in 1961 to a point north of the Dallas Convention Center, beside Pioneer Cemetery.

The beautiful Robert E. Lee statue, flanked by a Confederate Soldier, was dedicated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1936, at Oak Lawn Park at Hall and Turtle Creek, now Lee Park. It was erected by the Dallas Southern Memorial Association. Another Confederate Statue stands in front of the Centennial Building at Fair Park, where murals in the Hall of State feature Generals A. S. Johnston, John B. Hood and Lt. Richard Dowling. Dallas schools have been named for Jefferson Davis, Postmaster General John H. Reagan, Generals Robert E. Lee, A. S. Johnston, Stonewall Jackson, John B. Hood and William L. Cabell, Colonels Oran M. Roberts and John F. Ireland, and Captain William H. Gaston.

A fourth Confederate Statue is of Captain S. P. Emerson, erected in 1900 at his grave in Greenwood Cemetery near Hall Street. During the war he was captured and sentenced to be executed, but escaped twice and stayed to finish the war.

EARLY DATA: The forerunner of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce was organized in 1895 as The Dallas Commercial Club. In 1909 it became the Chamber of Commerce, with officers and directors as follows:

OFFICERS: L. O. Daniel, President, Re-elected in 1910
J. R. Babcock, Secretary
J. B. Wilson, Vice President
S. G. Davis, Vice President
Alex Sanger, Vice President

DIRECTORS: L. O. Daniel, Daniel Millinery Co.
J. B. Wilson, President, City National Bank
S. G. Davis, President, Davis Hat Co.
Alex Sanger, President, Sanger Bros.
C. W. Hobson, President, Hobson Electric Co.
H. S. Keating, President, Keating Implement and Machinery
Rhodes S. Baker, Spencer, Baker
Louis Lipsitz, Harris-Lipsitz Co.
Ben Cain, Vice President, Gulf, Texas, Western RR
B. R. Neal, Manager, Standard-Tilton Milling Co.
C. H. Platter, President, Platter Tobacco Co.
George B. Dealey, Manager, Dallas News
Henry D. Lindsley, President, Southwestern Life Ins. Co.
Joe L. Brown, Ladies Hose Mfg. Co.
Joe S. Kendall, Real Estate, Highland Park

Due credit in 1909 must be given to Dallas Commercial Club. It was the father of all other commercial organizations.

MEMBERS SEEN IN RECENT NEWSPAPER ITEMS: Marjori Sharp and friends at Dallas County Heritage Society Party to preview its Candlelight event benefiting Old City Park museum programs.

Dorothy Savage and her brother Bill Harris pictured in the Harris home at 5703 Swiss Avenue where they grew up and now live. It has come to be known as the Savage House.

Jeanne Deis, Dorothy Karayanis and Frances Ware at Champagne Reception following "EVENING OF TEXAS OPERA" hosted by Texas Composers Forum.

Our member Miriam Cullom Parker is careful to preserve items about members and to send copies to me, which is much appreciated. We ask that the entire membership assist us on this.

REQUEST: Our backlog of "Filler" items for our newsletter is growing slim, and friend husband has too many interests to keep it filled. All members are urged to submit items or data to use to fill the pages of future newsletters. PLEASE!!!

Upon receipt of your Newsletter, please make your plans to attend our March 1st meeting. Let's start the New Year's first meeting off with a fine attendance. Looking forward to seeing you.

Mary M. Cullum
Secretary

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