



Dallas County Pioneer Association

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NEXT MEETING: The Dallas County Pioneer Association will hold its next meeting 5 September 1991 at Wyatt's Cafeteria, Northlake Shopping Center, Northwest Highway at Ferndale. Eat 6:00 P.M., get ticket stamped DCPA, pay cashier, and sign attendance register. Program begins 7:00 P.M.

PROGRAM FOR SEPTEMBER MEETING: "EDUCATION IN DALLAS COUNTY" - Our speaker will be Dr. Mamie McKnight, educator and historian, formerly assistant professor in counseling education at SMU, and currently consultant to the Chancellor for Community Development in the Dallas Community College District.

VISITORS: Visitors are always welcome to our meetings which are held the first Thursday in March, June, September, and December at Wyatt's Cafeteria at the above address.

The June meeting was called to order by President Mattie Hughes. The invocation was given by Rev. Norman Dyer, followed by Pledges of Allegiance to the flags of the United States and Texas.

There were approximately 85 members present at our last meeting with 25 registered visitors. The visitors were:

Rev. Norman and Mrs. Louie-Payne Dyer, Adelyn Hancock, Emeline Thaxton, Simon Selzer, Paul Stallings, Barbara Drabnees, Marilyn Miller, Shannon Bowling, Jesse and Rebecca Morris, Tommy Masterson, Adriana Comini, Mindy Robalais, Jack and Genevieve Glover, Clare Weakley, Jr., Theresa Lanham, Margaret Fletcher, Vic Armstrong, Jennifer A. Nogaka, L. E. McCommas, Amy Mueller, David Jurney.

Edwina Dyes, Vice-President, presented Membership Certificates to new members who were present. Others will be mailed.

Edwina also distributed DCPA brochures at the Dallas Genealogical Society Seminar which was attended by 700 people.

Past-President and Publicity Person Edna Hart, was able to procure a table for our brochures at the Dallas Convention Center, where the Senior Affairs Commission of Dallas held its annual "Mayfest" celebration. Senior citizens and leaders in volunteerism were recognized, and awards given for these Senior Citizens' endeavors. Our president, Mattie Hughes also attended.

Mattie Hughes acknowledged a "Thank You" letter from Bill and Jackie Jacoby for the fruit basket and all the cards and best

wishes for them in their illnesses. - We hope to see them soon.

Mattie also gave a special "thank you" to Mary Sutherland, and members of the Telephone Committee for their excellent job of contacting members and prospective members about our meetings.

Earl O. Cullum, Chairman of the Publications Committee, asks that we make this announcement: PROUD HERITAGE, Vol. II submissions are welcome, and should be submitted in accordance with established guidelines. We need them before the December 5th meeting. Each article must be a new writing for this publication, and within the 750-word limit. State the word count. List sources and submit accompanying photo-copies (no originals), with identifying data on stickers on reverse side. You and/or a non-member can submit more than one article, about a family or activity in Dallas County beginning before 1920. Do it now!

Stories on the following families and activities have been received since our last newsletter:

Elias J. Ball	Samuel A. Garner	Henry W. Lawson
Stephen H. Moore	Mack Farmer	Pioneer Ass'n Officers
Southwestern Life	Moses F. Thomas	Benjamin R. Brown
Fred R. Brown	Leslie O. Clay	John T. Nolan
Richard H. Tooley	Horton	Greenwood Cemetery
Isaac Webb Diary	Warren A. Ferris	Nathan A.F. Yeargan
Texas Land Grants	Ballard M. Burgher	Ida P. Griner
Henry P. Parrish	Joseph J. Parrish	John B. Parrish
Francis M. Parrish	Otis H. Parrish	State Fair of Texas
Horton Cemetery	Cedar Springs	Lancaster Gun Factory
Cochran Chapel Methodist Church		Samuel Clinic
Military Order of World Wars 1918		Dallas Crime Comm. 1904

PERHAPS THESE WILL REMIND YOU OF OTHERS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SUBMIT.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Frances James, Historian, asked that we keep in mind, and use our influence, where possible, to help protect our old cemeteries from encroachment since the Cemetery Protection Bill died in Committee in Austin.

Frances also asked for suggestions in regard to indexing and cross-referencing the information taken from our membership applications and other files. This information could be very useful to future generations in compiling their family histories.

Marie Hunter reported she had received a letter from a searcher who had found a copy of PROUD HERITAGE, VOL. I, with an article about her family, in the L. D. S. Library in Salt Lake City.

David Journey substituted for Randy Moir, our scheduled speaker, on the School Book Depository Archaeological Dig in the West End. The slide presentation was very interesting and included

slides of artifacts collected, including Indian artifacts dating back several thousand years, as well as those of more recent times.

CHANGES TO THE ROSTER: Please add the name of Lloyd Bockstruck to the list of Honorary Members on page 6.

Please make this change to address of Mae E. Riek, 6833 Bob-O-Link.

Please change Tom Jones name to J. Tom Jones.

Please change Mary Hunter to MARIE Brady Hunter.

Please change Zip Code for Irma Janicek to 75061-1132

Please add the following new members to the roster:

Linda Frank, 2161 Bunker Hill, Plano, 75075-2921, 596-0147.

Clare G. Weakley, Jr., 7906 Gateridge, 75240-8028, 233-1140

Shannon L. Bowling, 1540 Hilltop Dr., Garland, 75042-8411, Tel. 494-1717.

Marilyn Miller, 308 W. Ave. F, Garland, 75040-7136, 276-1969.

Mrs. Louie-Payne Dyer, 2803 N. Spring, Richardson, 75082-4235, Tel. 423-3415.

WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW MEMBERS, WE ARE PLEASED TO HAVE YOU!

NEW MEMBER PROFILES: Linda Frank descends from James P. and Susan M. (Bowen) Ferguson who settled in Dallas County in 1860, through their daughter Effie Susan, who married Charles H. Williams, whose daughter Mary L. married Carl Hoffman and had Linda.

Alfred S. Jackson, born 1901 Dallas, descends from John Hays and Elizabeth (Brown) Jackson through their son Andrew Sloan Jackson and wife Elizabeth Dye who are buried at McCree Cemetery. Alfred's maternal ancestor, Ora Lee Huffman, born 1877 Dallas, was the daughter of Abe C. Huffman and Emma Christian Tooley. Abe C. was the son of Michael L. Huffman who died 1861 in Dallas. Emma Christian Tooley, was daughter of Richard Henry Tooley who died 1891 in Dallas and his wife Mary Elizabeth Powell who died 1880 in Dallas.

New member Elizabeth Jackson, wife of Alfred S., descends from John Tillman Nolan who came to Dallas between 1873-1880. He died in Dallas in 1881.

Dr. William M. Nelson descends from Archibald McCravy Lavender, who died 1864 in Lancaster, and his wife, Sarah Buffington who died 1867 in Lancaster. The family arrived in Dallas in November 1852. Their son, William Albert Lavender, born in Ellis County, married Margaret E. Crum, died 1928 Lancaster. Their daughter, Ada Matilda Lavender, b. 1869 Lancaster, married William Ashley Nelson and had Cecil Lavender Nelson who had William Marion Nelson.

Kathryn May Thomas descends from Henry Fritz and Valeria Clay Rogers who arrived in Dallas in 1868. He died Dallas 1905. She died Dallas in 1917 and is buried at Oakland Cemetery. Their daughter, Lillie May Fritz, married James Dingle Padgett 1901 in

Dallas, and had Gladys May Padgett, born 1902 Dallas, who married Samuel J. E. Marshall, born 1903 Dallas, and had Kathryn May Marshall who married William Alfred Thomas.

Clare G. Weakley, Jr. descends from Robert Fagan Weakley who came to Dallas from Tenn., married Corrine Hughes and settled in Rowlett and Dallas. They are buried in the Pioneer Cemetery, Garland.

More NEW MEMBER PROFILES next time.

FAMILY TREE COLUMN: We are sorry to hear Margaret Ann Thetford has retired and will no longer write the genealogy column in the Dallas Morning News, however, we are equally pleased that Lloyd Bockstruck will be the new columnist. Best wishes to you both.

CRIME STOPPERS: When a criminal bolted from the Dallas County Court House on June 27, 1991 our Past-President John R. Nelms, Assistant District Attorney, dressed in business suit and dress shoes, took in after him. When John and another police officer cornered him in a parking lot, the man climbed the embankment onto Interstate 35 where he attempted to climb into cars stacked up in a traffic jam. A truck driver picked the man up, but he must have noticed the police chasing him, and got out. John continued chasing him for about a mile on Interstate 35 until police arrested the man.

TO YOU WHO OPPOSE CRIME: Abstracted from a letter from Col. Earl O. Cullum, U. S. Army Retired, and Past-President of DCPA, June 12, 1991.

"A new book "In the Line of Duty" by Steve Elwonger, lists all the Dallas Police Officers killed in line of duty in the past 99 years, including twenty-two killed in traffic accidents or air crashes. Thirty-four were shot to death, eight of these with guns taken from the officers. The other twenty-six killers used their own guns. Not included in this book were officers merely wounded (including three in Dallas on the day this is being written); nor officers of the sheriff's department or other agencies outside the City of Dallas."

Earl suggests that organizations or groups opposed to crime should schedule speakers who are aware of actual conditions, and of the need to improve the criminal justice system in Texas (just as the federal system which did away with parole entirely).

"This isn't just a law enforcement problem - it is YOUR PROBLEM," states Col. Cullum.

TRIVIA: In 1902 the "Dallas Exchange" Telephone Directory listed among others, the following residential listings:

Mrs. J. H. Brown, 241 Live Oak Dr. R. C. Buckner, 209 Worth
B. M. Burgher, Oak Lawn & Cedar Spgs. H. C. Carr, 266 N. Lamar

Sam P. Cochran, 297 S. Ervay
A. Cretien, 242 Lake Ave.
G. B. Dealy, 157 Maple Ave.
C. B. Gillespie, 626 Cedar Spgs.
W. H. Hughes, Oak Lawn Ave.
E. G. Knight, 685 Cedar Spgs.
August C. Mueller, 626 McKinney

F. Riek, Kaufman Road
R. T. Skiles, 497 Live Oak
C. C. Slaughter, 222 Worth
J. C. Soelter, 225 Pocahontas
M. Jacoby, 137 McKinney
John M. McCoy, 190 N. Harwood
H. M. Thetford, 824 Bryan
T. A. Hord, Adams & Davis, Oak Cliff

PIONEERS GATHER TO HAVE REUNION - Abstracts from article in the Dallas Herald June 1, 1906.

"Last Wednesday, at her home on Swiss Avenue, Mrs. Dorothea Nussbaumer, one of the few survivors of a once large colony of Swiss and French in West Dallas, and a few of her intimate friends, and other survivors of the colony celebrated the FIFTIETH anniversary of her arrival in Dallas. Gathered around her table at the dinner were Mrs. Barbara Frick, her son, Adolph Frick, Mrs. Cesarine Remond, Mrs. Lucy Voirn, Mrs. Clemmance Vangrinderbeek, and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Capy, survivors of the old colony and some dozen or more neighbors and friends."

"WALKED FROM HOUSTON. Mrs. Nussbaumer, herself is 73 years of age. Together with her father, mother, sister, and uncle and several families, she left Switzerland, Feb. 2, 1856, and landed in New Orleans, April 16 of the same year. Staying in New Orleans a few days for rest, the party boarded a second ship and went to Galveston. From Galveston, they came up the bayou to Houston in boats, she says, and from there to Dallas on foot. Two weeks were spent in Houston during which time the immigrants made a tent of cloth woven by them in the old world. A number of wagons drawn by ox teams were engaged here, at an exorbitant price, for conveying their furniture, trunks, etc. to Dallas, they themselves, walking the entire distance.

"PASSENGER SHIPPED AS FREIGHT. Her uncle, sixty-two years of age, had slipped on the deck of the ship on which they had made the voyage, and had broken his arm. He was put in as second-class freight, she says, and three cents per pound was paid for his transportation along with the trunks.

"DALLAS IN EARLY DAYS. Three stores, situated around what is now the courthouse, represented the business district of the city at that time, and it was several years before the number was materially increased. Her uncle, John Prier, was a blacksmith and woodworkman and built of bois d'arc, then from Bois d'Arc Island, below the city, the first wagon ever manufactured in Dallas. This wagon, while crude, was run for several years in Dallas, and is now kept as a relic by her daughter, Mrs. Peterman.

"GEORGE JACKSON. George Jackson, for fifty-two years, a resident of Dallas, while not a member of the Swiss and French

Colony, was present as an invited guest. Mr. Jackson was born and reared near Devonshire, England. He came to Dallas by way of New Orleans and Shreveport, reaching here in 1848. Mr. Jackson set up a miniature dairy west of the city and endeavored to furnish the city with butter. Several trips daily were made into the little town and the market was soon overstocked so he had to turn to other pursuits. His farming was done with a yoke of steers and when he essayed to visit the growing city he mounted his trusty steer, headed him toward the city, and whiled away the time as best he could until he reached his destination. Mr. Jackson says in coming over from England in 1848, he was nine weeks on the water. On a more recent trip "last summer" he covered the same route in 5 days, 11 hours and 58 minutes. When he came over, he said his father's family numbered seven, while now, counting the descendants it had increased to 141 persons.

MRS. A. D. GALLAGHER. Mrs. A. D. Gallagher, another pioneer settler was present. Mrs. Gallagher has resided in Dallas fifty-one years. Her husband was one of the first photographers to set up a business in early Dallas. Mrs. Gallagher now resides at 153 Simpson Street.

Mrs. Nussbaumer concluded her article with the names Mrs. Lucy Vorin, nee Santerre, was able to remember of the three hundred, Swiss, French and Belgium colonists. She was able to name all but about fifty.

Mrs. Dorothea Nussbaumer, was born Dorothea Bolly, and became the wife of Jacob Nussbaumer, the pioneer Dallas butcher, whom she married in 1856.

COX CEMETERY RECORDS UPDATE - (On Dalgreen Dr. in Dallas). - If you have ancestors or relatives buried in this cemetery, please contact Sara McGee, 4108 O'Hare, Mesquite, TX 75150-4454, Tel. 226-1675.

DPCA needs to update its ANCESTOR RECORDS. Please fill out and return the enclosed form with your earliest Dallas County ancestor/or ancestors to the secretary, or mail to P.O. Box 12496, Dallas, TX 75225-0496.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE MORE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN DPCA? - We sometimes need extra hands for mailings, typing labels or index cards, or addressing envelopes. Please contact the secretary, or make your wishes known to one of the officers.

Hope you all had a wonderful summer and enjoyed vacationing and visiting children, grandchildren and relatives...or just sitting in your favorite lounge chair where it was cool.

Nona Williams
Secretary

WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN UP-DATING OUR MEMBERSHIP RECORDS.
PLEASE FILL OUT THE 5X7 SLIP BELOW AND RETURN TO DCPA AT YOUR CONVENIENCE.
IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN ONE PIONEER ANCESTOR, PLEASE LIST SEPARATELY (that is,
a husband and wife who came to Dallas at different times).
THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

YOUR FULL NAME : _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY, STATE, ZIP TEL. _____

1st ANCESTOR _____ ARRIVAL DATE _____

2nd ANCESTOR _____ ARRIVAL DATE _____

3rd ANCESTOR _____ ARRIVAL DATE _____

4th ANCESTOR _____ ARRIVAL DATE _____

5th ANCESTOR _____ ARRIVAL DATE _____



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