



# DALLAS COUNTY PIONEER ASSOCIATION

FOUNDED 1875, REORGANIZED 1979

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## SUMMER 2018



**RESERVATION REQUIRED  
IF YOU INTEND TO EAT!**

**Quarterly Meeting  
Thursday June 7, 2018**

**The Point, Center for Arts and Education  
Campus of C. C. Young  
4847 W. Lawther Dr.  
Room Opens at 5:30 Dinner at 6 PM  
Program Begins At 7 PM**

**Dinner \$15.00 per person**

**DINNER RESERVATION  
call by the Tuesday before the meeting.**

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## JUNE PROGRAM

### **Rose-Mary Rumbley Speaks to DCPA**

Join us at 7 pm on Thursday, June 7, for the program presented by Rose-Mary Rumbley, known as “rock star to the senior set.” Rose-Mary, a member of First Baptist Church of Dallas, will talk about the church’s first 150 years of history. As always, the room will open at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. The cost of dinner is \$15.00 per person, and reservations must be made by Tuesday, June 5. The telephone number for reservations is 972-260-9334.

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## Upcoming Programs in 2018

“Hangings and Lynchings in Dallas County, Texas 1853 to 1920” is the name of the book and our program for Thursday, September 6. The author of the book and our speaker is Terry Baker. He will have copies of his book available to purchase at the meeting.

Saturday, December 8 our speaker will be one of DCPA’s own members, Susanne Starling. She will be telling us about the Beeman Family.

I look forward to seeing you at The Point at C.C.Young Retirement Home, 4847 W. Lawther Dr. for one or all of the DCPA programs. If you have any other suggestions for programs for 2019 please email me at [darsallyvz@gmail.com](mailto:darsallyvz@gmail.com).



## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Greetings,

It has been a busy five months. Fellow members and I have attended the Mills Cemetery historical marker dedication in Garland, attended the Glover Cemetery gathering (we help maintain this historic cemetery) and spoke at the Lyons Cemetery Grave Marker dedication of Isaac Nation, a veteran of the War of 1812. Our cemetery committee has been very busy working on the historical records and cemeteries and we appreciate their work.

At these gatherings I have been telling people about our great association and much interest has been received. I have realized that there are a lot of people interested in joining and being involved with us and have brought in new members. I would like to ask that each of you take the time to tell your friends and the people you come in contact with about our association. It just takes a few minutes and will help strengthen our group. Please share our newsletter with others thru email and print a few out to give to friends and encourage them to join you at a meeting. People ask how I am getting all these people to join and I simply reply, I talk to them and tell them about our group. *Our association sells itself if we just tell people about it.*

We are working on redoing the web site and Facebook pages to provide more information and keep you informed. We hope to have the new site built soon. If you have any interest in helping please let an officer know. We also need a newsletter editor as Barbara Vilbig is ready to give it up. We greatly appreciate her work and thank her for all her efforts. She is willing to help train the new person so please step up and help with this job.

Our library books remain in storage. We are looking for a place to display them where they would be available for others to use. If you have any ideas please let me know.

REMINDER, we need your email so make sure and provide it. The Telephone Committee will be calling if we do not have one on file for you. Being able to email the newsletter and other association information will greatly reduce our cost and help balance our budget. Thank you for your cooperation. You can call, email, or tell our Secretary Marsha Leach.

See you at our June 7<sup>th</sup> meeting and I look forward to visiting with you.

Respectfully,  
Jim Bookhout  
President

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## CEMETERIES OF DALLAS COUNTY

The American Memorial Cemetery in Grand Prairie has been sold and the new owners are going to apply for a Texas Historic Cemetery designation. The new name is Antioch Life Park Cemetery. It was established in 1881. DCPA member Charles Powers was friends with the previous owners and knows about this site from his years on the Grand Prairie City Council.

Several DCPA members attended the dedication of a Texas Historical Marker on April 7, 2018. Edward Mills (1805-1871) with his family came to Texas in 1847, and there were three sons Hope, John, and James who were also eligible for Peters Colony land. Altogether they had over 1600 acres in the Duck Creek area. The original cemetery site was set aside as a cemetery in the Will of Edward Mills that was probated in 1880. The first person buried here was Elizabeth Collins Mills in October 1854. The surrounding cemetery is known as the Garland Memorial Cemetery.

*Submitted by Frances James*

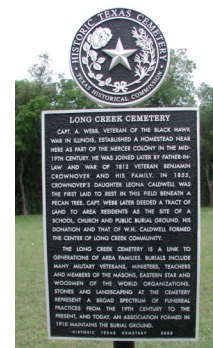
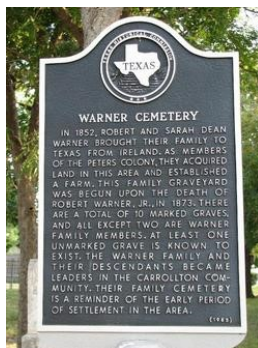


## MORE INFO ON THE CEMETERIES OF DALLAS COUNTY

### CEMETERY REPORT #5 - 4/13/2018 AND 4/19/2018

1. I drove by the location of the COATS-PASCHALL CEMETERY at 621 Pecan Creek Trail in Sunnyvale. Being on private property, I was not able to see the cemetery, but the Texas Historical Commission report says the Galloway's that own the land have started their own family cemetery adjacent to the Coats-Paschall Cemetery. Their cemetery is called FRANKLIN-GALLOWAY. They are very interested in cemetery preservation. I decided to drive by to make sure they haven't decided to sell. With the Historic Galloway House on the same property, I think the cemetery is in good hands.
2. The LONG CREEK CEMETERY at 504 Long Creek Road in Sunnyvale is still an active cemetery. It looked very nice and I think it has gotten bigger.
3. In Coppell, we found the BULLOCK CEMETERY at 151 Washington Court in very good condition. The cemetery really benefitted from the housing development. The Historical Marker is in place and the cemetery was full of beautiful yellow irises.
4. The MOORE CEMETERY at 525 Carter Dr. in Coppell looked good. It is supposed to be an active cemetery but we didn't see any recent activity. The entrance is between the houses at 516 and 524 Carter Dr. It was very easy to access. It has a nice fence but no identifying signs.
5. The HISTORIC BETHEL CEMETERY at 601 Christi Lane in Coppell is being well cared for. The Historical Marker is in place and the fence is in good shape.
6. The HISTORIC CARROLLTON BLACK CEMETERY at 1519 W. Belt Line Rd has also benefitted from construction in the area. It is located behind the Romco Equipment Co. When you pull into the drive you can go left or right around to the back of the building. The drive circles around the cemetery. There is a rock path to the fenced cemetery. There are three different Historical Markers. It will need to be mowed soon. The area around the cemetery has been mowed but not inside the fence.
7. The SNYDER-KENNEDY CEMETERY is located on Jackson Rd in Carrollton across Jackson Rd. from the Heritage Gardens Rehab & Healthcare at 2135 N Denton Dr. There are houses on 2 sides. The front and back are open to streets. There is a nice iron fence and a beautiful granite monument. Someone has tried to remove the gate but a heavy chain is keeping it at the cemetery.
8. The WARNER CEMETERY at 2610 Belmeade Dr. in Carrollton is in a nice neighborhood. The fence is in good shape. The grass needs to be mowed. There are a lot of headstones. Some have been broken and repaired. Some are broken and laid neatly on the ground.
9. The KEENAN FARMERS BRANCH CEMETERY at 2570 Valley View Ln is definitely an active cemetery. According to the Historical Marker, the Farmers Branch Keenan Cemetery Association has been maintaining this cemetery since 1938.

*Submitted by Marsha Leach*



Bethel Cemetery (right) Warner Cemetery (center) Long Creek Cemetery (left)



## The Oldest Zoo in Texas

**Dallas Zoo** is a 106-acre zoo located 3 miles south of downtown Dallas, Texas, in Marsalis Park. Established in 1888, it is the oldest and largest zoological park in Texas and is managed by the non-profit Dallas Zoological Society. It is home to over 2,000 animals representing 406 species. It is an accredited member of the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA), and is a member of the World Association of Zoos and Aquariums (WAZA).

The zoo was established in 1888. The zoo's first purchase was two deer and two mountain lions for \$60 from a private seller in Colorado City, Colorado. The animals were placed in pens and put on display in City Park. In the 1890s, the Dallas City Council approved funding for the zoo and more animals were purchased and added to the zoo's collection. The zoo called City Park home until 1910, when it was relocated to Fair Park. In 1912, the zoo moved to 36 acres in Marsalis Park which the city had purchased in 1909, from which it has expanded to its current size. Under the leadership of Zoo Commissioner William H. Atwell, the zoo acquired many more animals as well as exhibits. In the 1920s, a special Zoo Commission was created by the city and the collection was further developed with the acquisition of numerous specimens from game hunter and trapper Frank Buck. In the Depression Era of the 1930s, the facilities at the zoo underwent extensive renovation funded by the Works Progress Administration.



## DALLAS COUNTY PIONEER ASSOCIATION INFORMATION

### ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

President	Jim Bookhout
Vice-Pres	Sally Jacoby Veazey
Secretary	Marsha B. Leach
Treasurer	William Vilbig
Historian	Eva Jane Morgan
Membership	Sheryl Curlee
Programs	Sally Jacoby Veazey
Telephone Committee	Jane Beaver
Sunshine Committee	Sally Jacoby Veazey
Publicity & Newsletter	Open
Newsletter Publisher	Open

The Dallas County Pioneer Association is dedicated to preserving the history of Dallas County and those who settled here before 1880. Any person who is interested may apply for membership regardless of when they, or their ancestors, came to Dallas County. Contact any officer for an application.

### Membership Dues

\$20	Per Year	\$200	Life Membership
\$30	Couple	\$300	Couple Life Membership

The Association meets quarterly for dinner and a program on the first Thursday of each March, June, September, and on the first Saturday of December.

Visitors are welcome.

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