



Fort Worth Genealogical Society

Newsletter

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October 2018

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September FWGS Meetings:

Board of Directors: Sat. Oct 13, 2018

2:00 Central Branch-Conference

Beginners: Concluded for 2018

Computer Users: Concluded for 2018

General Meeting: Tues, Oct 30, 2018

6:30-7:45 Auditorium-Central

Refreshments at 6:00

October Refreshments: Debbie P

Can You Help With One Month ?

OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING

The next general meeting will be **Tuesday, October 30, 2018** in the **Tandy Auditorium** of the Central Branch Library. The program will be **"Soldier Homes: Researching at Beauvoir"** by **Carlene Johnson**. *Beauvoir*, the historical museum, library and former home of Jefferson Davis was a Confederate Soldiers Home for aged vets. Find out what is available there.

6:30 - 7:45 p.m.

**Refreshments begin at 6:00 p.m.,
with the meeting starting at 6:30.**



CARLENE JOHNSON

traveled to visit Beauvoir because a family member

once lived there as an aged veteran. She found there were many records housed there for the researcher. She will share some of those with us!

Carlene's family inherited boxes of family materials which has fueled her love of genealogy. She also combines genealogy with her love of scrapbooking and uses some of those treasures. Now she works full time on genealogy. FWGS was lucky she retired because she now teaches the FWGS Beginner's Classes and serves on the FWGS Board of Directors.

**Park Free on the Streets after 6 P.M.
OR 2.5 hrs FREE in 3rd St Garage with
Library Validation of Ticket.**

**Invite a Friend to visit a General
Meeting with You!**



FW LIBRARY NEWS

FREE WORKSHOP, Sat Oct 20

Pat Gordon leads the day on publishing your family history. 10:30-3:30

FREE HERITAGE FAIR, Oct 20th

FWGS sponsors the accompanying Fair with reps from patriotic & lineage societies to answer your questions.

NATIONAL ARCHIVES--FORT WORTH
Veteran's Day: Closed Mon, Nov 12th

September FWGS Meeting

ANN MCKEE came to tell us about some of her experiences in furthering her family research by adding details from newspaper stories on her ancestors. She came to particularly note that the *Portal to Texas History* and the *Gateway to Oklahoma History* are both repositories of digitized copies of various Texas and Oklahoma newspapers and of course even more. Attendees were lucky to receive a handout with an extensive list of places to find digital versions of newspapers in all 50 states. Ann shared how she was lucky enough to take a behind-the-scenes visit in Denton and in OKC to see the digitization process in action. With the *Portal* being sponsored by UNT, they have many more resources available than *Gateway* who is sponsored by Oklahoma Historical Society. That means it takes the *Gateway* longer to get their holdings digitized and on the web.



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From the Editor



The FWGS Membership year is drawing to a close. Only one more issue of *Footprints* (November) left in 2018. Soon early bird dues can be paid for 2019 to beat the end of year rush. And **October brings Elections for 2019 Officers.**

President Roy Combrink asked **Carlene Johnson** to head up Nominations and she announces some new additions and some changes as well as some returning officers. Here is the line-up of Nominations:

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Historian: Phil Morris | Footprints: Rob Yoder |
| VP: Virginia Brown | Treasurer: Crystal Barth |
| Newsletter: Debbie Pearson | Director: Ed McCoy |
| President: Carlene Johnson | Membership: Rob Yoder |
| Programs: Debbie Pearson | Secretary: Sharon Ward |

Please come out to the October 30th general meeting to vote for the new Board of Directors for 2019. And especially come to hear the program on Beauvoir and how it played a role in helping civil war veterans as a retired soldier's home. We will have a drawing for a door prize as well. See ya there.

Debbie Pearson, Newsletter Editor

Membership Report:

Rob Yoder, Membership Director, reports 133 members.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBER:

Kimberley Smith Calloway (who also pre-paid 2019!)

Membership in FWGS runs January 1 to Dec 31. We do not prorate memberships. If you join mid-year we will furnish you your back issues of *Footprints*.

**ATTN: Membership Director
P.O. Box 471789
Fort Worth, TX 76147-1408**

Please add your email and print neatly.



CHANGES of ADDRESSES

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE!

REMEMBER to NOTIFY FWGS immediately upon a move. The post office does not forward *Footprints* without a cost to the society.

From the FWGS Mail Bag



Center For Texas Studies - TCU & FW Lib



Saturday, November 3, 2018

10:30 a.m. - 12 Noon

Topic: **Exploring Lost Restaurants of Fort Worth**

By **Celestina Blok**, Local Food Writer & TCU Graduate
Celestina will discuss some great restaurants and landmarks of Fort Worth's past. A book signing will follow.

Next: Dec 1 "How Bridges Shaped Fort Worth History"

Billy W. Sills Center for Archives/FWISD presents

Saturday, Nov 10, 2018 9:30 am - 11 am

Presenter:

Dr. Julian Haber

Topic:

"The Yanks Are Coming Over There, Over There"

November 11 marks the 100th year since the US entered WW I. Hear Dr. Haber tell stories of those who served.

2720 Cullen, 2nd Floor

Fort Worth, TX 76107 (817) 814-2040

Next: Dec 15th "Preserving America's Maritime Heritage"

Lunch Time Lectures @ NARA Noon-1 p.m.

1400 John Burgess Dr, Fort Worth, TX 76140

Training Room

Must Register at ftworth.education@nara.gov for a space.

Date: **Friday, Nov 2, 2018**

Topic: **Baking, Soil Erosion, and Rats....Oh My!
Records of the Extension Service.**

Next: TBA

Don't Forget **NARA** will be closed for
Veteran's Day on **NOVEMBER 12th**

SAVE THE DATE!

January 26, 2019

FWGS will again start their Beginners Class & Computer Users Group in 2019.

Both groups will run for 8 months, Jan-Aug.

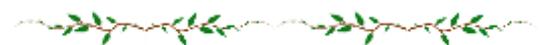
Look for exciting new changes & announcements to come soon!

Diseases and Medical Terminology Your Ancestors Might Know

Have you discovered an illness or cause of death in your research that you did not recognize or understand? Here is a list of diseases or symptoms that we associate with older times. Either caused by lack of sanitation, poor diet, poverty, close quarters, lack of medical care or lack of understanding of diseases, some of these are quite rare except in third world situations. Vaccines and medical advancements have almost eradicated some of these. Some are names that are no longer used today or may not be used in the same way today, so check your records and see if you have encountered any of them.

Ablepsy: blindness
Ague: flu-like symptoms likely caused by malaria
Apoplexy: Paralysis due to stroke
Barrel fever: most likely Alcoholism
Biliousness: Jaundice
Black dog: depression
Brain fever: Meningitis
Breakbone: Dengue fever
Bright's Disease: inflammatory disease of kidneys
Bronze John: Yellow fever
Camp fever: Typhus
Chalkstones: possibly Rheumatoid Arthritis or Gout
Child bed fever: infection following birth of a child
Cholera: acute severe contagious diarrhea with intestinal lining sloughing
Cholera morbus: possibly Appendicitis; nausea, vomiting, abdominal cramps, fever
Congestive fever or chills: Malaria
Consumption: Tuberculosis
Decrepitude: feebleness due to old age
Domestic malady: depression; emotional breakdown
Dropsy: swelling caused by fluid retention; edema (could be caused by kidney or heart trouble)
Dropsy of the brain: Encephalitis
Dysentery: inflammation of colon; bloody mucous
Falling sickness: Epilepsy
Flux: excessive flow of fluid; hemorrhage or diarrhea
French pox: Syphilis
Green sickness or green fever: Anemia
Grip, Gripe, Grippe or Lagrippe: Influenza
Jail fever: Typhus
Jaundice: accumulation of bilirubin, usually indicating disease of liver; organ failure

Leprosy: now called Hanson's disease; communicable bacterial disease affecting skin & nerves
Lockjaw: Tetanus (or infectious disease affecting the muscles of the neck and jaw.) Was fatal in 8 days.
Lung fever: Pneumonia
Lung sickness: Tuberculosis
Melancholia: severe depression
Meningitis: inflammation of brain or spinal cord
Milk Sickness: Tremotal vomiting; ingesting milk or meat from animals who ate white snakeroot plants
Mortification: Gangrene
Nephrosis: kidney degeneration
Nepritis: inflammation of kidneys
Palsy: problems with muscle control, tremors or paralysis
Quincy or Quinsy: Tonsillitis; abscesses of tonsils
Scrumptox: Impetigo
Ship fever: Typhus
Sleeping Sickness: Encephalitis
Small Pox: contagious disease with fever and blisters
St. Vitus dance: involuntary jerking; chorea; Huntington's disease.
Sugar Disease: Diabetes
Summer complaint: Diarrhea, usually in infants caused by spoiled milk
Tetanus: bacterial infection entering body through wounds; characterized by high fever, headache and dizziness, tightened muscles of neck (see lockjaw)
Trench mouth: inflammation, bleeding of gums often due to poor hygiene or diet
Thrush: Childhood disease characterized by spots on mouth, lips and throat
Tuberculosis (TB): Bacterial infection primarily attacking lungs, but may also affect kidneys, bones, lymph nodes, and brain. Symptoms of TB include coughing, chest pain, shortness of breath, loss of appetite, weight loss, fever, chills, and fatigue.
Typhoid fever: disease spread by contaminated food and water with symptoms of lasting high fevers, weakness, stomach pains, headache, and loss of appetite.
Typhus: infection caused by bites of lice, fleas, mites, etc, characterized by rash, high fever, headache, and dizziness
Winter fever: Pneumonia





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Membership Application & Renewal Form - ☆ - Fort Worth Genealogical Society

Individual Membership - \$23
⇒ \$20 if paid before the new year begins

Family Membership - \$27
⇒ \$25 if paid before the new year begins

Sustaining Membership - \$50 or more

Contributing Membership - \$250 or more

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ E-mail Address: _____

(Your email address will be added to our mailing list in order for you to receive local announcements.)

This membership application is for: 2018 2019 New Renewal *newsletter*