



*Fort Worth Genealogical Society (Est 1957)*

# Newsletter

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## Coming Genealogy Events

### General Meeting

Tuesday, September 30, 2008 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM  
Fort Worth Public Library – Tandy Lecture Hall  
500 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

Subject: Researching with the Sons of the Republic of Texas  
Speaker: Vaughn Oliver

Are you interested in early Texas history or do you have ancestors who were in Texas before or during the Early Republic of Texas period? Have you ever wondered about how to get into a Lineage Society or what resources they might have to help genealogists? Come find out the answers to these questions and hear first hand from the President General of the Sons of the Republic of Texas.

Contact Debbie Pearson for more information - [debeejay@aol.com](mailto:debeejay@aol.com)

### Note

## Date and Time Change!!

To accommodate new library hours, we have moved the General Meeting to Tuesday. For the same reason, there will be no business meeting.

### Daytime Meeting

Thursday, September 11, 2008 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM  
Fort Worth Public Library, Southwest Branch  
4100 Library Lane at Hulen  
Auditorium

### Canceled

Contact Ellie Hutcherson for more information – [misselly@sbcglobal.net](mailto:misselly@sbcglobal.net)

# Coming Genealogy Events Continued

## Computer Group Meeting

Monday, September 8, 2008 7:00 PM – 8:45 PM

Fort Worth Public Library, Downtown

500 W 3<sup>rd</sup> St

Intel Computer Lab

Subject: 2008 101 Best Genealogy Web Sites

Note: This is not a rerun; it is an entirely new list.

Contact Clois Richardson for more information – [cloisrich@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cloisrich@sbcglobal.net)

## Board of Director's Meeting

Saturday, September 20, 2008 10:00 AM – Noon

Fort Worth Public Library, Southwest Branch

4100 Library Lane at Hulen

Auditorium

All members welcome

## Beginners Workshop Series

**Finished for the Year**

## 2008 Community History Workshop Series

**Sponsored by the Center for Texas Studies at TCU and the Fort Worth Public Library**

September 6

"Living at the Fort, 1895-1995: Four Generations of Fort Worth Photographers"

Byrd Williams, Collin College

For more information, contact:

Shirley Apley, Senior Librarian

Genealogy, History, Archives

Fort Worth Public Library

500 West 3rd Street

Fort Worth, TX 76102

817-871-7740

## Genealogy Announcements

### August Monthly Meeting

Subject: The Archives of the University of North Texas

Speaker: Michelle Mears

Michelle Mears, Archivist of the University of North Texas, discussed the contents of the Archives of the University which are of interest to genealogists. These principally consist of the University Archives, the Rare Book and Texana Collections, Government Documents, and the Microforms Collection. The storage locations are either the Willis Library or the University Storage Facility.

The Willis Library is located on the UNT campus at 1506 W. Highland, Denton, Tx 76203-5017. Visitors to the library must obtain a free visitor's parking pass from one of the several guard stations prior to parking. Offices for all of the personnel are located inside the library.

The telephone numbers and hours of operation for the various components of the Archives are:

University Archivist	(940) 565-2766	8-12 AM 1-5 PM M-F
Rare Book and Texana Collection	(940) 565-2769	8-12 AM 1-4 PM M-f
Government Documents	(940) 565-2870	9 AM – 9 PM M-Th 11 AM – 4 PM F-St 1 PM – 9 PM Sn
Microforms Collection	(940) 565-2015	9 AM – 10 PM M-Th 9 AM – 6 PM F-St 1 PM – 6 PM Sn

Additional resources anyone can use are:

The UNT Library Online Catalog <http://iii.library.unt.edu/>

Genealogy Subject Guide <http://www.library.edu/research-tools/subject-guides/genealogy/>

Portal to Texas History <http://texashistory.unt.edu/>

Resources that are restricted to members of the campus community are:

Heritage Quest

JSTOR

WorldCat

Other users must obtain access through one of the offices above to these resources.

The Portal to Texas History (at the website above) provides online access to these items in the Archives:

Texas County Inventories

Texas State Genealogical Society (also quarterlies from East Texas GS, Anderson County GS, and Collin Count GS)

Newspapers

Photographs

Documents

Gammell's Laws of Texas

## **Discontinuing delivery of the newsletter**

Members who no longer wish to receive the newsletter by mail should contact the Membership Chairman, Terri Meeks. The editor does not maintain a list of mail addresses.

## **New Members**

### **Please welcome these new members to the Society**

New members who Joined at the seminar

Debbie Miranda

Sharon Ward

Richard and Nancy Anthis

Wanda Samek

And here are two new members who joined (but not at the seminar)

Donna Donnell

Andrea Martin

## Temporary Closure of Family History Center

The Family History Center on Alta Mesa Blvd. will be closed from September 6 through 21 for redecorating. It will reopen at 9:00 AM on Monday, September 22.

### Image on the first page

The sign above Exchange Avenue was erected in 1913. It marks the beginning of the Fort Worth Stockyards. The panorama format was obtained by cropping an image which shows much more of the street and surrounding buildings. Copywrite 2008 by James W. Norris

#### FWGS Monthly Events Jan. thru Nov.

1 <sup>st</sup> Day	Newsletter Deadline	Contact Newsletter Editor*
2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday	Computer Users Group	Fort Worth Public Library -- Central
2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday	Monthly Day Meeting	Fort Worth Public Library -- Southwest Regional
3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday	Board Meeting	Fort Worth Public Library -- Southwest Regional
Last Monday	Regular Monthly Meeting	Fort Worth Public Library -- Central
4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Beginner's Workshop	Fort Worth Public Library --Central

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For information to be included in the newsletter, please contact the editor by the first day of the month.