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Newsletter

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January 2011

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Coming Genealogy Events General Meeting

Tuesday, January 25, 2011 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
Fort Worth Library – Tandy Lecture Hall
500 W. 3rd Street

Subject: What the Pros Know—Tips from 20 Years of Working on Other
People's Lines.

Speaker: John Wylie

Let's start 2011 off with a bang!!! For our first meeting of the year we
have John Wylie.

This talk is a collection of tips and tricks that John has learned in years
of full-time researching. Some of these tips save time; others save money.
Many tips relate to finding lost or obscure records, but most show how to
glean the most from the records we encounter most often. John will use real-
world examples and include an open Q&A so you can ask for help with your
brick wall. If you're still looking for better ways to research, you need this
lecture.

Contact Janie Pace for more information - (817) 428-5918 or
jhpacerd@charter.net

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Computer Group Meeting

Saturday, January 22, 2011 2:00 PM – 3:30 PM
Fort Worth Library, Downtown
500 W 3rd St

Intel Computer Lab

Subject: How to Get Started and Organizational Hints

Contact Clois Richardson for more information – cloisrich@sbcglobal.net

Board of Director's Meeting

Saturday, January 15, 2011, 2010 10:00 AM – Noon
Fort Worth Library, Southwest Branch
4100 Library Lane at Hulen

Auditorium

All members welcome

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Beginners Workshop Series

Saturday, January 15, 2011 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Fort Worth Public Library, Downtown

500 W 3rd St

Chappell Meeting Room (next to auditorium)

Subject: How to Get Started and Organizational Hints

The full curriculum is located on our website. For additional information contact Terri Meeks – terri.meeks@sbcglobal.net

General Meeting *Continued*



John Wylie, a full-time professional genealogist since 1990; he serves the Texas State Genealogical Society as Vice President; the Association of Professional Genealogists as national secretary from 2006 through 2009; the National Genealogical Society as a member of the GenTech Advisory Committee since 2002 and the Grand Prairie Genealogical Society as past-president and current Library Liaison. A founder of GenTech he served on the team that developed the *GenTech Genealogical Data Model*. In twenty years John has authored more than 25 articles in publications including *Stirpes*, *Digital Genealogist*, *National Genealogical Society Quarterly* and *Genealogical Computing*. He has lectured at over a dozen national conferences and at state and local seminars in 29 states. He co-authored the NGS special publication *Indexing Family Histories* and wrote the *How to Cite Sources* tutorial used on Ancestry for eleven years. He was the 2004 recipient of the DGS Lloyd Bockstruck Distinguished Service Award.

Genealogy Announcement by Shirley Apley of FWPL

FWPL is proud to announce that we now provide access to America's Genealogybank database, inside the Library and remote access is available from home. Give it a try today and let us know what you think. Warning- it is very addictive!

America's GenealogyBank provides Web-based access to millions of the United States' core genealogical records from 1652 to the present day. Through basic name search and advanced search options, genealogists can easily find and browse digital images of American historical genealogies, obituaries, marriage notices, [birth announcements](#), casualty lists, military and government documents and other essential [primary sources](#). It also provides the full text of modern U.S. newspaper obituaries and enhanced Social Security Death Index (SSDI) records. Significantly, each of America's GenealogyBank's five historical or modern collections is updated with new content on a daily, weekly or monthly basis.

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Articles, obituaries and more from Historical Newspapers

By searching more than 500,000 complete issues of over 1,300 historical U.S. newspapers, researchers can quickly find their ancestors in millions of articles, obituaries, marriage notices, birth announcements and other items. Digitized in cooperation with the [American Antiquarian Society](#) and other institutions, this exclusive collection includes titles published between 1690 and 1977.

America's Obituaries and the Social Security Death Index

America's GenealogyBank offers the full text of more than 22 million obituaries and death notices published between 1977 and the present day in over 800 newspapers from all 50 states. Genealogists can cross-reference these obituaries with over 78 million Social Security Death Index (SSDI) records, which have been enhanced with exact age and city, county and state information that genealogists can easily copy and save to their files.

Digital facsimiles of printed items from Historical Books

The [Historical Books collection](#) includes digitized versions of all available books, pamphlets and other publications printed in America before 1819, with coverage expanding to 1900. This makes it easy to search rare, fragile genealogies, local histories, cards, charts and other printed items online.

A variety of essential records from Historical Documents

The [Historical Documents collection](#) features the entire American State Papers (1789-1838) and all items of genealogical value—over 40% of the publications—from the U.S. Congressional Serial Set (1817-1980). Genealogists can research government and military records, casualty lists, widows' claims, military pension requests, bounty land warrant actions, [dispute resolutions](#), [land grant applications](#), orphans' petitions and much more.

FWGS Monthly Events January through November

First Day
Third Saturday
Last Tuesday
Fourth Saturday

Newsletter Deadline
Board Meeting
Regular Monthly Meeting
Beginner's Workshop and Computer Users Group

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