

FORT WORTH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Newsletter

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September 2011

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Coming Genealogy Events General Meeting

Tuesday, September 27, 2011 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Fort Worth Library – Tandy Lecture Hall

500 W. 3rd Street

Subject: TBD

Speaker: Larry McCarty

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

Computer Group Meeting

Finished for 2011

Resuming in January 2012

Board of Director's Meeting

Saturday, September 17, 2011, 2010 10:15 AM – Noon

Fort Worth Library, Southwest Branch

4100 Library Lane at Hulen

Auditorium

All members welcome

Beginners Workshop Series

Finished for 2011

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2011 Summer Seminar

The 2011 Summer Seminar featured John Sellers as the presenter. Those people who attended the event were suitably impressed with Mr. Sellers.

Northern Louisiana was settled by Protestant white settlers beginning about 1840. My Dobbs ancestors migrated to Carroll Parish from West Feliciana Parish before 1840; my Norris ancestors migrated to Franklin Parish from Mississippi before 1850. Both sets of ancestors were Presbyterians.

Land descriptions are especially interesting. The Spanish and French governments gave land grants to individuals who sold parcels to settlers. These land grants followed no special directions. The federal government installed the BLM land descriptions some time after the Louisiana purchase for the portion of the land which had not been granted by the Spanish and French. One can see the comparison of two methods by viewing the various maps by going to www.lagenweb.net and selecting **maps**.

Footprints Vol. 54, No. 1

Thanks to our Footprints Editor for resuming publication of Footprints, we now have the first of a series of biographies of the Civil War Veterans of Northeast Tarrant County.

As a member of the Callaway Family Association (CFA), I immediately read those of Hiram Calloway, Joseph F. Calloway, and Joseph W. Calloway (starting on page 27). I first thought of finding whatever I could about the men in the CFA archives. However, this is work that has already been done by the CFA Newsletter Editor, Donna Morgan.

The three men are descended from Joseph Callaway, immigrant to Virginia. In the April 2010 issue of the CFA Newsletter Donna gave the line of descent [dates added by Jim Norris] of Hiram Calloway as

Joseph Callaway (? – 1732)
Thomas Callaway (1712 – 1800)
Thomas Callaway, Jr. (1753 – 1819)
Thomas F. Callaway (1777 – 1835)
Hiram Ray Callaway (1822 - ?)

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Get Ready to Start Digging -- Electronically!

The National Archives at Fort Worth is preparing to release documents from the 1940 Census, and they are certain to be full of surprises. Meg Hacker, director of Archival Operations, will review the 1940 census, share information about the Archives' new location and discuss the newest archival resources.

1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24, Tandy Lecture Hall

Fort Worth Central Library

Meg Hacker has been with the National Archives at Fort Worth since 1985. She has both bachelor's and master's degrees in American History, and Texas Western Press published her thesis, *Cynthia Ann Parker: The Life and The Legend*. She has presented to numerous historical and genealogical societies on a variety of topics, including Chinese exclusion, repatriation oaths, immigrant and Native American records and strategies for researching the National Archives.

The workshop is presented by the Library's Genealogy, History and Archives Unit. It is free and open to the public, although **advance registration is requested**. For more information or to register, call 817-392-7740, or email ancestry@fortworthlibrary.org.

Shirley Apley, MLS, Senior Librarian

Genealogy, History, Archives,
Literature

Fort Worth Library

500 West 3rd Street

Fort Worth, TX 76102

Central Library's hours:

Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat - 10:00
am to 6:00 pm

Tues, Thurs - 12:00 pm to
8:00 pm

Sun - 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm