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AUGUST MEETING

The next meeting is **Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.** on ZOOM. **Dr. Bernard Meisner's** topic is **Create an Interactive Book to Share Research with Family.** Want to interest family in your research? Learn how to make a book for them to view on their computer.

Use Link To Join the ZOOM Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89572028695?pwd=N20wKzVjOGJvQVlxSXhVQm5GbNfudz09>



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FW LIBRARY NEWS

APPOINTMENTS NEEDED

Remember: Call ahead to make an appointment if you wish to research in the Central Library Genealogy Unit. **817-392-7740.**

Saw this on the **FWL website.** These are expectations for patron behavior in libraries. As we anticipate the opening of the new History & Genealogy center at Seminary South we should review them.

<https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/files/assets/public/library/documents/policies/fwpl-rules-of-behavior-eng-07222021.pdf>

It's official now. The City of FW is selling the Central Branch Library. **Have you contacted your City Council Rep more information and give your input?**

JULY FWGS Meeting

Hannah Kubacak presented her talk on Historic Maps last month via a pre-recorded presentation from Texas State Genealogical Society. This was one of our perks by being a Partner Society with TxSGS. Hannah provided a hand out as well.

SIG on FAMILY SEARCH.org

With **Emily Richardson**

TAKING A SUMMER BREAK!



Have you joined us on Facebook yet?

We have two sites:

Fort Worth Genealogical Society & FWGS Talk. Try them both!

August FWGS Meetings:

Board of Directors: Fri, Aug 19, 2022
10:30 am Zoom

Special Interest Group (SIG) for Family Search.Org **SUMMER BREAK**

General Meeting: Tue, Aug 30, 2022
6:30-8:00 pm ZOOM

Link for Meeting is sent on FWGS Mailing List or found on Flyer. Visit www.TXFWGS.org Click on Mail List Button on left side to join Email List.

From the Editor



FWGS NEWS: The bylaws change presented at the July meeting did not pass. Your board has worked again to address a few **MAJOR** priorities that must be tackled such as how to vote and to have meetings electronically. With pandemics, loss of meeting spaces, and the ease of communicating via digital means, FWGS realizes changes have to be made to modernize and to fit into these new circumstances.

After some reworking, the board has voted to present these new PRIORITIZED changes at the August meeting. After presenting them, the next vote will be in September. Members: please stay tuned after the August ZOOM program to hear about these new proposals and for information on voting in September. The proposals will be sent to you by email to read and study. For Questions contact:

President Johnson FWGS-President@Mail.com

Secretary Minke FWGS-Secretary@mail.com

AND, you may have noticed FWGS has switched over to ZOOM instead of GoToWebinar that we used in the past. FWGS thanks TxSGS for all their past support with GoTo Meetings. If you have never downloaded ZOOM for your computer or tablet, please do. It makes joining a ZOOM so easy and it is FREE.

Debbie Pearson, Newsletter Editor



TIME TO RENEW or JOIN for the FIRST TIME

Membership in FWGS runs January 1 to Dec 31.
Individual dues are **\$23** and a Household is **\$27**.

Make your check payable to FWGS.

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P.O. Box 471789
Fort Worth, TX 76147-1408

Please add your email and print neatly. You may pay online or print out a membership form and mail a check here:
<http://www.txfwgs.org/html/membership.html>

From the FWGS Mail Bag



Center For Texas Studies at TCU in partnership with **FWL Community History Workshop Series**



Is BACK in September

Saturday, Sept 10th 10:30 a.m. – 12 Noon

TOPIC: **“The People’s Revolt: Texas Populists and the Roots of American Liberalism”**

Presenter: **Dr. Gregg Cantrell**, author & professor, TCU

Hybrid Meeting: Zoom/In Person

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_w-c7jVAGRRaFIZ_-hQXsRg **Register for Zoom**

Central Library Tandy Auditorium:

500 W. Third St. Fort Worth, TX 76102-7305

Who were the original Populists and how did they shape American politics? Gregg Cantrell, author of *The People’s Revolt and the Roots of American Liberalism*, will explore the historical roots of Texas populism and the hallmarks of the movement. He will contrast historic populists’ contribution to the development of American liberalism with the identity of populists in politics today.

Gregg Cantrell holds the Erma and Ralph Lowe Chair in Texas History at Texas Christian University. He received his B.B.A., M.B.A., and Ph.D. from Texas A&M University. Cantrell received the Summerlee Research Fellowship from the William H. Clements Center for Southwest Studies at Southern Methodist University. In addition to his recent book, *The People’s Revolt: Texas Populists and the Roots of American Liberalism*, he is the author of *Stephen F. Austin, Empresario of Texas*; *Feeding the Wolf: John B. Rayner and the Politics of Race, 1850-1918*; and *Kenneth and John B. Rayner and the Limits of Southern Dissent*. He also co-edited *Lone Star Pasts: Memory and History in Texas*.

The FWISD Billy W. Sills Lecture Series

Is BACK In September

Saturday, September 17 10:00 AM FWISD AD Bldg.

Topic: **“Top O’ Hill Terrace: From Poker to Preachers”**

Presenter: **Vickie Bryant, historian**

Come at 9:30 for Coffee

Come hear the story of a secret gambling casino in Arlington and the Baptist minister who tried to close it down. Hear about the beautiful campus it sits on today and how you can tour it today!



Here is the link to download ZOOM for

FREE: <https://zoom.us/support/download>

Google to find many videos that show

step by step instructions if you need help. Please add your name when you register, so we can greet you!



FORMER FWGS MEMBER PASSES

CLOIS B. RICHARDSON

1930-2022

Clois Richardson, a long time FWGS member and Board member has passed away. Clois served as VP, Treasurer, and Director, but led the Computers Users Group for many years after the library opened the Intel Lab. FWGS was indebted for his leadership & service for 12 years (10 on the board.) FWGS extends sympathy to widow, Peggy.

Abbreviated obit below:

Clois Burton Richardson, 91 of Benbrook, TX passed away Thursday, July 7th, 2022. A graveside service took place at Elmwood Cemetery in Bowie, TX on Monday, July 11th.

Clois was born on December 28, 1930, in Bowie, Montague County, TX to the late Carl B. Richardson and Jocie E. Prince. He and his family lived in Ryan, Oklahoma for many years. He attended and graduated from Ryan High School. He attended Cameron University in Lawton, Oklahoma for one semester. Clois joined the Air Force in 1950 and was an Air Police. He served in Japan during the Korean War and was honorably discharged in September 1954. He was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Services Medal - U.N. Service Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal. Clois moved back to Bowie and worked with the family dairy business. He moved to Farmington, New Mexico and worked at Haliburton.

Clois met Peggy Long and married her on January 31, 1956. They started their married life in Farmington, NM. They moved back to Texas. He was a man of many talents. He ran a dairy farm, he owned a hardware store, he was an insurance salesman, he was a security guard at General Dynamics, he was a bookkeeper, and he owned a parking lot sweeping company. He retired in 1995.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Bowie, TX. He earned his 50 year + Masonic pin. He was a member and was the president of the Lion's Club in Benbrook, TX. He and Peggy belonged to the Ramblin' Rangers Camping Club. He held several offices within the club. He loved to travel and experience new places.

He was preceded in death by his three brothers, Royce Richardson, Joe Richardson and Jerry Richardson and a great granddaughter Taylor Weber.

Those left to cherish his memory include his wife Peggy Richardson, a daughter, Carla Gurley and her husband Rick of Bixby, Oklahoma and a son, Mark Richardson and his wife Patti, of Freeport, TX.

For More:

<https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/name/clois-richardson-obituary?id=35687025>

FWGS Is Old Enough for Medicare!!!

Help keep our 65 year-old tradition alive! Join and pay dues, THEN volunteer with the society. FWGS needs many volunteers. Contact President Carlene Johnson to see how you can fit in. FWGS-President@mail.com

If you purchase items on Amazon, remember to tag FWGS in your **AmazonSmile** charity donation designation.

We appreciate the donations from Amazon when you set FWGS as your designee!!!



FOOTPRINTS UPDATE: Footprints Editor Rob

Yoder has completed the **August** issue of *Footprints*. It is printed & ready. But, Covid got in the way of our new mail team's completion of the mailing process. So watch your mailbox soon.

Footprints Submissions?

Do you have ancestors in Tarrant County or surrounding counties? Would you like to see your family tree in print? Do you like finding interesting details about Tarrant County in your research? Is writing about your ancestors enjoyable to you?

WE HAVE A PLACE FOR YOU!!!

Footprints Editor Rob Yoder is seeking family trees, your research, old photos, newspaper articles from early Fort Worth newspapers and other interesting records or stories of Tarrant county. If you have something that is ready in digital form contact him at:

FWGS-Footprints@Mail.com

FORT WORTH GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

In Collaboration with the Fort Worth Library
Presents

Bernard N. Meisner

On

Create an Interactive Book to Share Research with Family

Want to share your research with family members in a way that will interest them? Dr. Meisner prepared an interactive electronic book for family as a Christmas gift that they could view on their computers. The contents were pages for each direct ancestral couple in the tree, with links to pictures, articles, maps and movies that documented the lives and experiences of each couple. He will show example pages and explain how they were created. **A HAND-OUT WILL BE AVAILABLE TO DOWNLOAD THAT EVENING.** *A short FWGS business meeting will follow.*

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TIME: 6:30 p.m.

ONLINE ZOOM MEETING.....Click link below before 6:30 pm.
No need to pre-register.

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