



2021 TXGenWeb Virtual Seminar

Celebrating 25 years!

Saturday, May 22, 2021, 9:45 am – 4:30 pm

The Texas Digital Newspaper Program: Walking through the Footsteps of Time

This will be an overview of the Portal to Texas History, and specifically the newspapers available on the Portal from The Texas Digital Newspaper Program. It will highlight some of the materials available and provide tips and demonstrations on how to search and work with newspapers in the Texas Digital Newspaper Program.



Tim Gieringer has worked as the Metadata Coordinator for the Portal to Texas History's Texas Digital Newspaper Program since 2014 and also contributes metadata work to the Oklahoma Digital Newspaper Program. He has a Bachelor's in Political Science from Marquette University and a Master's in Library and Information Science from the University of Pittsburgh. In addition to working for the Portal, he also enjoys utilizing it in his spare time for family and local history research.

Using City Directories for Genealogists

Origins, contents and genealogical uses of City Directories & Resources Available



Mic Barnette is a graduate of Texas State University, where he obtained a degree in history, political science and education. He has been actively engaged in genealogy since the age of 12 and has written numerous articles that have appeared in many national, state and local magazines, newsletters and quarterlies. From 1994 to 2004, he penned an award-winning historical/ genealogical column in Houston's leading newspaper, the Houston Chronicle. Since the 1980's Mic has conducted professional genealogical research, taught genealogical classes and lectured on genealogical topics while residing in New Orleans, Louisiana, Atlanta, Georgia, and Houston and Dallas, Texas. Mic has been a library associate with the Dallas Public Library since 2006 where he currently works in the Genealogy Department

Skirts & Skirmishes: Finding Women in Military Records & Pensions

Nearly all your ancestors were eligible for military service. Finding records, pensions, citizen files, enlistment, and draft registrations can easily be located. Veterans, widow and heirs made claims creating a wealth of information. Migration patterns, children, births, death and marriage records can be proved. Exciting facts and discoveries are just waiting to be found!



Paula Perkins has been involved in family history research for over 30 years, Paula is a proud 6th generation Texan and a professional genealogical consultant, lecturer, and instructor of genealogy classes. Currently TxSGS District I Representative, she is Immediate Past President of the Navarro County Genealogical Society, a past president for Collin County Genealogical Society, a TXGenWeb website creator and coordinator, and an administrator for a number of DNA projects. Paula has served as a volunteer in

many capacities for genealogical societies, county historical commissions, and her local genealogy library.

Googling For Genealogists

Use Google like a librarian. Strategies for finding your Smith family and the best Google tools for advancing your genealogy.



Lela Evans became interested in her family history when she was in high school. Having come from a family of storytellers, she started with listening to all 4 of her grandparents telling stories about their childhood.

Since 1998 a County Coordinator for the USGenWeb for a county in Mississippi, then added several counties in Texas. She was on the state staff for many years as the Orphan County Coordinator, Mentor Coordinator, and then as the Annual Meeting Coordinator. She was the genealogy specialist at a public library for 9 years and now is interim Lead Librarian at the El Centro Campus Library for Dallas College.

Lela has been a speaker for the genealogy preconference at the annual Texas Library Association Conference and the Federation of Genealogical Societies National Conference, as well as numerous local genealogy societies. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Lancaster Genealogical Society, and the Texas Library Association.

Questions please contact

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Information & Registration

<http://www.txgenweb.org/volunteer/meeting.htm>

You will receive a meeting link confirmation to join the virtual seminar prior to May 22. We look forward to seeing you at the seminar. Thank you!