



TENNESSEE GENEALOGICAL

Society

Quarterly Business Meeting of the Tennessee Genealogical Society

When: 14 Oct 2017 10:00 AM

Where: Tennessee Genealogical Society Center

EVENT DETAILS:

The Quarterly Business Meeting of the Tennessee Genealogical Society will begin at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017, at the Tennessee Genealogical Society Center, located at [7779 Poplar Pike, Germantown, TN](#).

We encourage all members to attend this meeting in order to receive updates on the Society's 2017 Yearly Goals and also on upcoming events. New TNGS Board Members will be elected. Also our 2018 Budget will be approved.

Refreshments will be served.

After the meeting, as part of the Germantown Oktoberfest Celebration, our President Gail Braddock will present some tips for Researching German Ancestry from her personal research.



Debbie Parker Wayne

DNA Fall Seminar

Debbie Parker Wayne, CGSM, CGLSM will be the guest speaker for the Annual Fall Seminar to be held on **Saturday, Oct 28, 2017, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Germantown Church of Christ, 8723 Poplar Pike, Germantown, TN 38138.** **Debbie Parker Wayne**, CGSM, CGLSM, is a board-certified genealogist and genealogical lecturer experienced using DNA analysis and traditional techniques for genealogical research. Debbie is the co-author with Blaine T. Bettinger of the award-winning DNA workbook, *Genetic Genealogy in Practice*, published by the National Genealogical Society (NGS). She is the author of the online, self-paced course *Continuing Genealogical Studies: Autosomal DNA*, offered by NGS. She is the DNA Project Chair for the Texas State Genealogical Society and the Early Texans DNA Project. Her publications include a column on using DNA analysis for genealogical research in NGS Magazine. She coordinates and presents workshops, seminars, and comprehensive, interactive genetic genealogy courses at genealogy institutes. See <http://debbiewayne.com> Be sure to mark your calendars now and set aside that date for an exciting genealogical adventure! The event registration form can be downloaded at tngs.org, or you can register on-line at the same website location. **Deadline: Friday, Oct. 21, 2017**

TNGS Member Spotlight: *Jane Van Tour* Receives Two Awards

One of our “Highly Decorated” TNGS members is *Jane Van Tour*, who is a native of Arkansas but was actually raised in Tennessee. She is a graduate of Overton High School in Memphis and the University of Tennessee Knoxville. She began her flying career as a flight attendant with Pan Am in 1969, and then joined United Airlines in 1986. She is still flying today.

Jane heard many family stories as she grew up, especially from the maternal side of her family. Because of those stories, she did a bit of genealogical research on and off until about twenty-five years ago. Then, ten years ago, she happened to attend the Southern California Genealogical Society's Jamboree. She not only joined the Society, she also volunteered at the next Jamboree, and ultimately became a member of the Jamboree Committee. She has been a member since then, with the exception of one year. She continued her volunteer work as part of the Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) in Knoxville, TN and again as part of the National Genealogical Society (NGS) in Charleston, SC. Jamboree experience lead her to work with on-site registration, which she does every year at both NGS and FGS, as well as other jobs as needed. She said, *“I love being a true TENNESSEE Volunteer and was honored this year to receive a Distinguished Service Award from both NGS and FGS.”*



Currently, Jane is working on trying to get her 1600s Virginia ancestors back across the pond. She says that she's working on, *“my great-nephew's maternal side, along with a couple of paternal holes for a six-generation chart. The most challenging part is an adoption situation.”* She continues, *“I am only beginning in DNA, so the latter is a great learning experience.”*

Jane received the Distinguished Service Award from the National Genealogical Society in May and from the Federation of Genealogical Societies in August. **Jane Van Tour** will be returning to Tennessee to attend our Fall Seminar on DNA with Debbie Wayne Parker. Please extend your congratulations for receiving these worthy awards when you see her there!

President's Corner: Gail Braddock, TNGS President

Where did summer go? We here in the MidSouth had some very hot temperatures this summer, and I know many people didn't go roaming through cemeteries this summer like they had planned to do. You might contact the cemetery and see what you find, and then walk through it in this fall. Not all cemeteries have offices, but someone has the records. If you are really stumped on finding those records, contact a local funeral home. They should know who the cemetery contact person is.

Let's Discuss It begun again! Join the next session on Sat. October 23, 2017, from 10:00 a.m. to noon. This popular sharing session will add a new face with the beloved **Joe Burns** taking a leadership position this fall. Remember that we will need more leadership at the beginning of 2018 to fulfill the footpath of **P. Z. Horton**.

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After the election of our officers, **Gail Braddock**, current President, will share some *Tips on German Genealogy from your Armchair*. This presentation is designed to honor Germantown's Initial **Oktober Festival** event that will benefit the Germantown Education Foundation. The festival will be held on November 4, 2017, at the Germantown Civic Club Complex~7745 Poplar Pike, Germantown, TN.

Find out more about it here: <https://oktoberfestgermantown.com>.



Our Special Collections Lady: Jennifer Baker, GRHGC Librarian

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FamilySearch announced a new service to be provided by certified affiliate libraries for researchers. Up to the present time, most records with access restrictions could be viewed only at a Family History Center (usually located in an LDS Church building) or at the Family History Library in Salt Lake City. The access restrictions are due to data privacy or due to contractual agreements with custodians of the original records. FamilySearch is working hard to ease these restrictions. GRHGC and other affiliate libraries now have access to nearly all of the restricted image collections for researchers to view. There will still be restrictions on a small number of records until those restrictions expire.

President's Corner (Continued)

On **October 28, 2017**, our *Annual Fall Seminar* speaker, **Debbie Parker Wayne**, will give her presentation on DNA research. She has already drawn a large audience. That seminar has been moved down the street to the Germantown Church of Christ, 8723 Poplar Pike, Germantown, TN 38138. This is where we had our Josh Taylor Seminar in 2015. We have much more room at that location. **TNGS needs help** with Set-up and Take-down, Registration, Book Sales, and/or Refreshments. If you are willing to help out during that seminar, please send an email volunteering your services to **John Ware**, programs@tngs.org.

Living my dream!

~~Gail Braddock

Sharing Her Expertise on the TNGS Board

Although Donna Garrett, TNGS Recording Secretary, is a native Nashvillian, she has lived in Shelby County since 1973. She is a graduate of Tennessee Technological University and the University of Memphis. A retired legacy Shelby County Schools librarian, she also taught English in Nashville and Shelby County. In retirement, she has continued to use her professional skills through volunteer work in classrooms and libraries.

Donna's Tennessee roots run deep. All four ancestral lines have lived in Middle Tennessee for 150 years. (Two were here prior to 1820.) One line is "brick walled" somewhere in North Carolina in the 1830s, but the other three lines have been traced to Revolutionary War patriots. Thus, Donna was not surprised by her DNA results showing 81% British/Scottish/Irish ancestry. She is, however, most mystified by and curious about her 2% Caucasus DNA.

Donna is the widow of Bill Garrett, a retired City of Memphis firefighter. She enjoys visiting with family, exploring new places, and working crossword puzzles. She is a dog lover, an avid reader, and an enthusiastic gardener. A DAR member, Donna enjoys the challenge of genealogy research and going on genealogical field trips with her sister Pattie.

Surnames: Irvin, Hampton, Nelson, Pettus, Hartley, Anderson, Stephenson, Ferguson, Alley, Nevils, Hobbs, Grissom, Bennett, Evans, Christly, and Allison.

Tennessee Counties: Williamson, Maury, Wilson, Rutherford, and Davidson.



Donna Garrett
Recording Secretary