

Saturday, March 11th, 2017, 9am – 4pm



17th Annual Family History Fair
1617 Shiloh Rd., Tyler, TX 75703

Sponsors: Tyler Family History Center & East Texas Genealogical Society

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: TERIE E. FLACK

STRATEGIES TO “KICKSTART” YOUR RESEARCH

Have you been researching for years and reached a brick wall? Have you just started and gathered all the easy information but aren't sure where to go next? Discover new techniques and re-discover tried and true methods. Teri's presentation takes a fresh look at research strategies to get your research moving.


UNCOVERING FEMALE ANCESTORS

Females are some of the most difficult ancestors to trace because laws, customs, and society conspired to hide them from public view. But, that doesn't mean we can't find them. We just need to know where to look and how to interpret the clues. Learn how to find the women in your family tree through a variety of records—their own and the records of the men in their lives.



TERI'S BACKGROUND:

A 6th generation Texan, Teri E. Flack is a genealogy and historical researcher, consultant, and lecturer who has been researching family history for over 35 years. She serves on the board of directors of the Federation of Genealogical Societies as Vice President for Administration. Teri chairs the Texas State Genealogical Society's Records Preservation and Access Committee and for her work in records preservation and access, Teri was elected as Fellow of the Texas State Genealogical Society. Teri serves on the Texas Historical Records Advisory Board, a state-level board dedicated to the preservation and use of Texas' documentary heritage. As a volunteer archivist at the Texas State Archives, Teri is currently processing over 1,100 volumes and 300 cubic feet of Galveston County records and creating finding aids to make them accessible to the public. She has a Masters Degree in History and an MBA.

“ASK THE EXPERTS” - LUNCH Q&A PANEL – (Bring your lunch or order a box lunch from us—see back of flyer) 

– BREAKOUT CLASSES IN AFTERNOON (1 - 4 pm) –

Conducting Oral History Interviews Before It's Too Late---Tips on interviewing techniques, digital equipment both audio and video. View Burkett's video interviews with locals born in 1920s and 30s--Hispanics, Native Americans and members of pioneer families. Deborah Burkett, author and chairman of oral history--Cherokee County Historical Commission, email: debbietroup7@yahoo.com

East Texas Piney Woods Spunky Women 1850s – 1950s. Researching, scanning photos, interviewing descendants and publishing a book. Deborah Burkett, author

FamilySearch – (2 sessions) First session gets you started and second adds additional skills – Web Freeman

How to Use Land Records – Get started on using land records to enhance your research – Andy Leath

Beginning Genealogy – Tips and Tricks to get you started or keep you going – Scott Fitzgerald

Using Texas Courthouse Records – Learn how to use existing records to update your research – Scott Fitzgerald

The Power of Mobile – Updates from RootsTech 2017 (rootstech.org) for Family History on the Go – Rochell McWhorter

Also, Displays of “Tell Us About” Student Competition and Other Genealogy Displays of Interest

For Questions or Information: Contact the FH Fair Committee at: TylerFamilyHistoryFair@yahoo.com