

Dallas County Pioneer Association Founded 1875, Reorganized 1979 P O Box 12496 Dallas TX 75225 972-260-9334 - info@dallaspioneer.org

### **From the President**



I hope you are staying cool and enjoying our wonderful weather here in North Texas, make sure to put September 1st at 6:00 p.m meeting on your calendar at the Pavilion in CC Young Senior Living.

Dinner will begin serving at 6 and our speaker will begin at 7. Clarence Glover, Jr is our next speaker who will be sharing his past 40 years of research of the pioneers that settled and built North Texas.

We are continuing our **"Bring a Guest**" if you bring a new guest to our meeting, you and your guest will enjoy the meal with our complements. Unfortunately, the Board had to raise the cost of meals going forward to \$20 as CC Young has increased our cost. All we ask is that you call 972-260-9334 and make reservations for you and your guest by August 29, 2022.

If you have not done so, please remember to pay your 2022 dues. Send them to DCPA at P O Box 12496 Dallas TX 75225. \$20 for an individual and \$30 for a couple per year.

**"May God be with us till we meet again",** <u>Jim Griffin,</u> President

## **From the Vice President**



Hard to believe that 2022 is more than half over, but it's been a great year for DCPA and our efforts to preserve and promote local history! Please join us for our next quarterly meeting on September 1st and enjoy our featured speaker.

Professor Glover traces his ancestry to father and son George and William Glover who came to North Texas from Alabama as Peters Colony settlers in the 1840s.

A Glover son is believed to be the first settler born in what would become Dallas County. Please join us to hear this excellent presentation about these important pioneer settlers of our area.

As an added bonus, Director of the Dallas Municipal Archives, John Slate will also be present to provide us an update on the Archive's recent organizing and indexing of the extensive Dallas County cemetery records compiled by the late Frances James. This will be a fun and informative quarterly meeting so please invite your friends to join us.

Call **972-260-9334** to RSVP if you'd like to have dinner at 6:00 p.m. before the 7:00 p.m. meeting. The cost is \$20.00 per person and includes a fully-catered meal and dessert by the C. C. Young hospitality team.

<u>Mike Judd</u> Vice President

> Please join us for Our Next Meeting on September 1, CC Young Senior Living 4847 W Lawther Dr (Northwest Hwy & Lawther) Dallas 75238

Call 972-260-9334 to make your meal reservations before the Cutoff on Monday August 30, 2022.

### **OUR SEPTEMBER SPEAKER - Clarence Glover, Jr.**



Professor Clarence E. Glover, Jr. is a DCPA member and President of Sankofa Education Services, offering historical and cultural education to African-American youth in North Texas. A native of Shreveport, Louisiana and graduate of Grambling State University, his journey brought him to Dallas and SMU's Perkins School of Theology where he served on the faculty

from 1980 to 1994. The professor then served as Assistant Superintendent of the Dallas Independent School District from 1994 to 2010 and was the district's Administrator of Multicultural Education.

Since coming to Dallas, he has researched the stories and the contributions of the early black pioneers to the area. His family's history is connected to that of white pioneers William and George Glover who came to this area from Alabama in the 1840s and settled in what is today Dallas' Urbandale neighborhood. Professor Glover is also an ordained Christian Methodist Episcopal Minister and the founding Pastor of First African Freedom Church in Dallas.

### Book Auction for the next meeting!

Please arrive early for the surprise of some of the books in our archives you can take home!!!

# **Veterans of the War of 1812**

Our newest page on our website to honor the Veterans of the War of 1812

# War of 1812

Numerous Dallas County residents served the United States military during the War of 1812. We are grateful for the assistance of the Craig Austin Rowley Chapter, The Society of the War of 1812 in the State of Texas, and the John Cavet Chapter of the United States Daughters of 1812 for their help in putting together this information.

A special thanks to Mike Magers and Brian Gunn our social media guys who work in the background to make this possible.

### On our Website

If you haven't been to our website lately please take a look, there are articles about the <u>Pioneers of Dallas County</u>, <u>Pictures of Dallas' Past</u>, <u>War of 1812</u>, <u>Frances</u> <u>James Tribute</u>, <u>Outings and Events</u>, stories about churches and biographies of some of the people who built and lived here in Dallas' beginnings.

## dallaspioneer.org

### Donations

The Dallas County Pioneer Association (DCPA) established in 1875 is a not for profit organization that operates on the generosity of people to take care of abandoned cemeteries and promote the history of Dallas County. It is operated by folks who have a passion for history and are volunteering their time and money.

Please consider giving to our mission by clicking the button below.

# DONATE

If you have changed your mailing address, e-mail or phone numbers, please let our Membership Chairperson know by sending a note to membership@dallaspioneer.org

If you haven't already paid your dues or you would like to make a donation please make your payments to:

Dallas County Pioneer Association PO Box 12496 Dallas, TX 75225

### Membership

If you have friends or neighbors who are interested in history please invite them to a meeting, so they can also join us to enjoy the speakers and learn about the history of Dallas. **Remember when you bring a first time guest, you and your guest enjoy a complementary meal on us!** 

#### Membership Chairperson

### **Cemetery Report**

by Kathy Ann Reid

#### **Oakland Cemetery**

On May 28, Gwyneva Winters, Betsy Farris and Kathy Ann Reid met to work with Friends of Oakland Cemetery. We were glad to help with this most beautiful and interesting cemetery. The Friends working that day included Monica Newbury and Tom White.

#### Beeman Memorial Cemetery

Many descendants of John Beeman attended a dedication ceremony at Beeman Memorial Cemetery on June 5 to honor his service during the War of 1812. The ceremony included a color guard dressed in uniforms of that war, complete with muskets. Several DCPA members were instrumental in the ceremony and their names and contributions follow.

Being a member of Sons of the War of 1812, Paul Ridenour coordinated the event with many seen and unseen tasks. M. C. Toyer spoke for the descendants and shared the biography of John Beeman that he wrote for the occasion. Gwyneva Winters spoke for our association and honored two employees of Dee Brown, Inc. who were in the cemetery in February during the restoration of the tombstones. One of the honorees was DCPA member Wally Daniels who was instrumental in speaking to the owners of deteriorating condition of Dee Brown, Inc. about the the tombstones. Many descendants of John and Emily Hunnicutt Beeman continue living in the Dallas area 166 years after his death. Thank you to

descendant Marsha Leach for gathering many of them for the occasion.

#### Western Heights Cemetery

Deborah Carpenter had the cemetery mowed only two times this spring and does not expect that mowing will be needed this summer. There is an area with brush that she plans to have cleared when the weather cools down. She faithfully, at least weekly, picks up litter inside and outside the cemetery. Some newly planted trees needed water, and I have not heard news of their survival or demise.

#### W. W. Glover Cemetery

The cemetery was mowed in March and April before the Pioneer Picnic. Since then volunteers have worked on the grounds several times to remove invasive grass and bushes that might cause Dallas Code Compliance to place a citation warning on the gate for tall vegetation. During the morning of July 1, Gwyneva Winters and Kathy Ann Reid worked three hours (including water breaks and talking).

### UPCOMING

We invite you to join in by giving suggestions for activities, including tours of cemeteries or work days at cemeteries, for our consideration and coordination. Email to <u>cemeteries@dallaspioneer.org</u>. We will gauge the interest of DCPA members and set dates for the cooler months. Events will be announced by emails.

Please consider generous donations to the Cemetery Fund. There are neglected cemeteries that need our help in order to enhance the surrounding neighborhoods.

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Please like the <u>DCPA on Facebook</u>, join in the conversations and share interesting posts with friends!

### And if you need a quick history fix...



Margaret Beeman Bryan was born on September 19, 1825 to John Beeman (1799-1856) and Emily Manley Hunnicutt (1806-1882) in Greene County, Illinois. Her mother had been born in Greenville, South Carolina and had married John Beeman in 1823. Her father was born in Murfreesboro, North Carolina. John and Emily were the parents of at least about

eleven children, of which Margaret was the second child born. The Beeman family came to Texas in the early 1840s, first settling in Bowie County. Around 1842 they came to what became known as Tarrant and Dallas counties. About one year later in 1843, when she was about seventeen, Margaret married John Neely Bryan (1810-1877), originally of Lincoln County, Tennessee, <u>more...</u>

## El Campo Santo de Cemento de la Compania Trinity Portland

### **By Frances James**

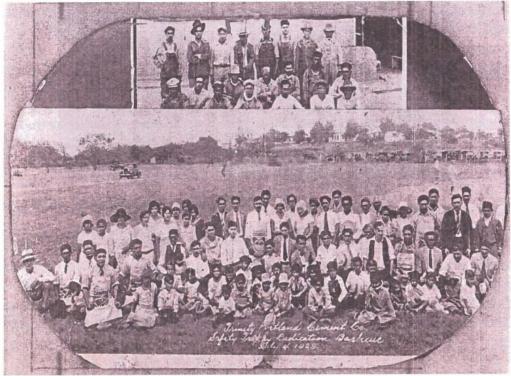


Photo courtesy of Henry Martinez

This small cemetery is located about six miles west of the Dallas County Courthouse surrounded by large warehouses and is in back of the telephone building on Communication, off of Cockrell Hill Road and I-30. The ample parking lot of the telephone company makes access easy – after you clear it with the guard. It has not always been easy to find. For many years the cemetery was stranded among the pits and the hills of the 900 acre site that had produced cement since 1907. Many of the workers at the cement plant were from Mexico and the company provided this land for a cemetery for them.

The Mexican Revolution in 1910 was killing one of every five men. These workers had heard there was opportunity for work in North Texas and to escape from the killing during the Mexican Revolution, crossed the border and received a green card and walked from Laredo to Dallas to work. The history for this site was provided by workers and their descendants as no records for the cemetery were kept. They were **more...** 

### Wonder Who These Names Are?



Addison Robertson (Addison, Texas) was the first postmaster of Addison, Texas. He was born in Arkansas in 1838. Robertson came to Texas after the Civil War and moved to Dallas County around 1875. He served as justice of the peace and later postmaster. Despite his age, he volunteered to serve in World War I. He was accepted into the Secret

Service and served in that capacity during the conflict. After he died in 1927, he was buried in the old Frankford Cemetery.

William C. C. Akard (Akard Street)

Ardelia Ellen Jackson West (Audelia Road)

John Branaman Bachman (Bachman Lake)

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