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President's Message

It is difficult to believe that we are closing in on the end of 2010. It has been a very productive and exciting year for our association. Our Board of Directors has worked tirelessly all year long to plan and present quality educational programs, classes, and workshops. The result not only contributed to a ten percent increase in our membership, but our Ark-La-Tex genealogy community also benefited from the educational programs we sponsored.

During this quarter, we enjoyed several outstanding presentations. In October, our featured speaker was Ann Middleton, Director of the Bossier Historical Center. She enlightened us with historical information derived from her research of past Bossier Parish newspapers. She provided information about the first Bossier Parish Courthouse when it was located at Bellevue, as well as the events that led a group of citizens one night in 1888 to quietly move the records to the new parish seat at Benton. Also in her presentation, she told the story of an abandoned Methodist Church at Taylortown that according to legend is haunted by a bride that died there after hearing that the man she was to marry had been killed.

In November, we were privileged to have Philip Adderley, Certified Genealogist as our featured speaker. The topic he spoke on was "Forensic Handwriting Identification for Genealogists and Historians". His presentation included the basic concepts and principles used by forensic document examiners to analyze and compare signatures and writings to determine the author or the authenticity of a document. He demonstrated the analysis process used in comparing signature samples and how to identify which signatures are forgeries.

Our association members elected officers for the 2010-2011 term at our annual meeting in December. Joining us for the next term will be Jim Jones as the Recording Secretary, along with Esther Jones and Barbara Johnston as Trustees. I would like to give a special thanks to Marilyn Christian for loyally serving as a Trustee for the 2009 - 2010 term. Marilyn will continue to serve on the Education Committee and will also be in charge of the starter table, exhibits, and displays.

A member who continually makes a great contribution to our association is Glenda Bernard. She is an active member of our Board of Directors and is a former Trustee. She was also re-elected as 2nd Vice President of the Association. She has served several years as a key member on the Education Committee, has taught various topics in our genealogy classes, and has presented numerous 'hornbook' programs at our monthly meetings. She is also the author of several articles appearing in The Genie. We are very fortunate to have Glenda as a member and officer of the association.

Jim Johnson
President

COTTAGE GROVE COMMUNITY

Bossier Parish Louisiana

By Dale Jennings

The still active Cottage Grove Memorial Presbyterian Church stands as a memorial to the early families of old Cottage Grove. The church and cemetery are the only indication that the little northwest Bossier Parish community once existed there. It was located on the Rocky Mount-Red River road (now parish road 160). That east-west roadway connected the Shreveport and Arkansas road (now Old Plain Dealing Road) with the present Benton to Plain Dealing route, Louisiana Highway 3. The community center for the Cottage Grove area was never much more than the church, its schools and a country doctor's office.

Cottage Grove never developed commercially or obtained a post office. Those needs were met by Collinsburg on the Arkansas road to the north, Benton to the south and Rocky Mount to the east (later, Hughes Spur and Alden Bridge on the railroad line more immediately to the east). Its lack of development was due in large part to the late availability of the area's public domain land for private ownership. The 36-square mile block of Township 21, Range 13, was opened for sale much later than the more desirable land closer to the river. Pineville (Collinsburg) got a store and post office in 1847; Sentell's Store (Benton) obtained its post office in 1850; and Rocky Mount its post office in 1853. The post office drew rural patrons to the store, and vice versa.

Although the first tract of land in the Cottage Grove township/range was not sold until December 1852, there is evidence that settlement had begun there some time before. The survey map of September 17, 1852, shows a network of roads and many random patches of improved land. The first burial on the rounded knoll adjacent to the yet to be established church had occurred in 1845. Little three-month-old Robert C. Doles was the first of four members of the Doles family to be buried there before the end of 1852.

Clues to the history of Cottage Grove are sometimes misunderstood. The cemetery was not a church cemetery, but a neighborhood burial ground that helped unite the community's early settlers. Willis Doles, Sr., and his grown children, all born in Virginia, came to the area in about 1840. (The 1840 census shows only Robert Doles, with his apparent wife and father, in what was still then a part of western Claiborne Parish.) One of Willis' sons, Robert P. (Bert) Doles, died July 23, 1852, and was interred in the little hill top

graveyard. The two additional family members buried there before the end of 1852 were other small children. Not identified by parentage, they could have belonged to Bert, Wilkerson, Zachariah or Willis Doles, Jr. The latter had married a neighbor, Mary Pricilla Shaw, in about 1845.

The Cottage Grove community was centered on the four-corner junction of Sections 19, 20, 29 and 30 (See section map). James Shaw bought the 160-acre Northeast Quarter of Section 30 (which contained the Doles burial ground) in December 1852. In March 1853, the younger Willis Doles purchased the Northwest Quarter of Section 29. It cornered the northeast corner of the Shaw property at the road. John A. Hughes bought the Southwest Quarter of Section 20, on the north side of the road opposite the Doles tract, in May 1853. Willis soon acquired that tract from Hughes. The Southeast Quarter of Section 19 was purchased by a large landholder, Archibald Palmer, and his son-in-law, Edwin C. Andrews, both from East Feliciana Parish. Andrews acquired the north half of the quarter section and Palmer the south half. The surrounding area was bought up by other early families. The region today reflects the appearance of poor hard-pan clay "hill land," best suited for pulp wood production. Before the top soil was depleted and eroded, this was crop land populated by farming families.

The Cottage Grove community soon acquired a neighborhood school. The land for the school was donated by James Shaw and accepted by the local directors of the Bossier Parish School District No. 10, William B. Hendricks, James A. Herron and George W. Nattin. The school lot, the northeast corner of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 30, was almost one-half mile east of the graveyard (near the northwest corner of the same quarter section). It was described as, "about one acre on which there is a school house," and was "for use and benefit of Free Public School in School District 10." (Bossier Parish Conveyance Book 3, Page 211, March 7, 1854)

It is known that fiscal problems plagued the local public schools. The sixteenth section of each township was designated for support of the schools therein, but funds generated were sparse. Monetary assistance from the State was also precarious. John A. Manry, in his *Bossier Banner* "Looking Back...." column of September 1, 1960, cites a December 6, 1852, report by the directors of School District No. 11: "..... We have not taxed the people for the purpose of building school houses, or for other purposes, as the people have built school houses and made all necessary preparations for school, in their respective districts. We find it difficult to employ a teacher of public schools under the present system, on account of the great difficulty and expense of getting their pay from Baton Rouge"

A growing dissatisfaction with the public schools in the late 1850's led to a widespread adoption of the seminary system. The seminaries were privately established and operated "subscription" (donation) and tuition funded schools. They reflected local initiative and a growing agrarian economy. Miss Hannah E. Davis' Pineville Female Seminary at Collinsburg was the forerunner of others to come. Her announcement in the June 9, 1855, Shreveport *Caddo Gazette* (Bossier having no newspaper) said that she was soon to start the school's fourth term. There were probably two terms per school year. Indications are that the earliest parish seminaries were not state chartered.

On February 3, 1855, the *Caddo Gazette* announced the opening of the Cottage Grove Male and Female Seminary. It stated: "This institution is handsomely located 5 miles south of Collinsburg in a region of high and healthy country. Its next term opens the first Monday in December next and continues for 10 months."

T. W. Abney, Principal

G. W. Nattin

Wm B. Hendricks

Jas A. Herron

Board of Visitors

James Shaw sold his tract of land containing the District 10 school house to Daniel C. Clark in December 1854. The conveyance made no mention of the school or its lot. The community's free public school was apparently short lived. It is probable that the school building was lent to the seminary by its new owner in the spirit of community involvement.

The Cottage Grove seminary was approved for incorporation by Act No. 76 of the State legislature on March 7, 1857. Its incorporators were Daniel E. Dickson, Dr. James Sandidge, Dr. F. M. Abney, James A. Herron, T. W. Abney, Daniel Clark, John Pickett, P. B. Cash, David Hughes and James Engram. It commenced as the Cottage Grove Female Seminary at about the time that Miss Davis closed her school at Collinsburg. The principal, Mrs. Louisa M. Ricks, advertised in the *Bossier Times* that she would begin her second session on February 1, 1858, and that the two sessions of the present year would be taught without summer vacation. The school was advertised as a tuition High School with a full range of academic and refined arts subjects. Its ambitious curriculum is enlightening.

Primary Department	\$15.00
Spelling, reading, writing on slates, mental arithmetic	\$12.00

Town's Analysis, reading, writing, grammar, geography, written arithmetic, Watts on the Mind, U.S. History, composition and Physiology	\$20.00
Rhetoric, logic, chemistry, geology, astronomy, geography of the Heavens, evidences of Christianity, political and domestic economy, algebra and geometry, Constitution United States	\$25.00
Music on the piano, harp, guitar, each	\$25.00
Use of Instruments	\$ 5.00
Drawing, painting, embroidery, each	\$10.00
Wax Fruit and Flowers	\$10.00
Coral and album work	\$ 5.00
Contingent expenses	\$ 1.00
French, Latin, Vocal Music, no extra charge	

Mrs. Ricks advised that boarding was available with herself or the family of Willis Doles, Esq., who was making arrangements to build for that purpose; also, with Mrs. Adams or Mrs. Phelps near the school building. Other area seminaries established during this time frame were at Red Land, Bellevue, Fillmore, Rocky Mount and in the Benton area.

The Cottage Grove Seminary would again become co-educational. The seminary trustees announced in the January 5, 1859, Shreveport *South-Western* that boys under age twelve would be received into the school, and when that number reached twenty-five, a competent male teacher would be employed. The boys would be taught apart from the females. The school staff was shown as Mrs. Louisa M. Ricks, Principal; Mrs. Louisa M. Doles, Matron; and Mr. Zack Doles, Agent. The quota must have been met. The *Bossier Banner* soon announced that the Cottage Grove Male and Female Seminary, now under the supervision of Thomas B. Hancock, would begin its next regular session on the first Monday in October. The school had Primary, Intermediate and Advanced Departments. Boarding could be procured for eight dollars per month.

Despite the scheduling of a new session, the school had an evident problem. This notice appeared in the *Banner*: "I will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder at Cottage Grove Seminary, Bossier Parish, La., on Saturday the 30th of July next, between 10 o'clock a.m. and 3 p.m., the house and lot known as Cottage Grove Seminary, for the purpose of satisfying a balance due for building same. Terms of sale - cash on the spot.

F. M. ABNEY, Treasurer
Cottage Grove, La. Mach 5, 1859"

Francis M. Abney had also been the contractor for construction of the new school building and said that he was owed \$325.00. No sale followed.

("Cottage Grove, La." Would normally have indicated a postal location, but here identified a rural community center. The subsequent "Cottage Grove Post Office" location will be addressed later.)

The Abneys were a professional, education-minded family, originally from Edgefield District, South Carolina. They arrived in Bossier Parish in the mid-1840's after a generational stay in Alabama, where Thomas Walter and Francis Marion were born. On November 22, 1855, Thomas Abney acquired the ten-acre southwest corner of the SW ¼ of Section 20 from Willis Doles by "quit claim" for \$25.00 (BP Conveyance Book 3, Page 13). He somehow transferred the lot to his brother Francis without any documentation being filed with the parish clerk of court.

The Abney brothers had been among the seminary's organizers and trustees. As indicated, Dr. Francis Abney was its treasurer and builder. Thomas, who was the early seminary's first principal, became the first principal of the Red Land Seminary when it opened in 1859. Another brother, John, was a teacher in Bellevue in 1860, and yet another, Asbury, was clerk of court.

In February 1859, parish surveyor Roswell Elmer surveyed Mrs. Ricks' south half of the SE ¼ of Section 19. She had bought those eighty acres the year before from Wilkerson Doles' minor children. They had acquired it from the estate of Archibald Palmer, their grandfather on their deceased mother's side. Elmer mistakenly thought that Mrs. Ricks had given notice through Zack Doles to her neighbor, Doctor F. M. Abney. In making his way down along their common property line, Elmer indicated in his field notes that he had come to Abney's horse fence, then his house fence, before reaching the house site in the lower corner. Dr. Abney had been away from home and was not notified. He had to be mollified that his property corner there at the road had been properly located. ("Elmer's Surveys" book, Clerk of Court, Bossier Parish, LA)

Mrs. Ricks let her mortgaged land go back to the Doles children. In the 1860 census, she is a single 38-year-old Ohio-born music teacher in Cass County, Texas. The two Ricks boys in the household were born in Kentucky. The 1860 census shows that Thomas Abney is back at Cottage Grove in the next household to his brother, and is a teacher of languages.

Francis Abney filed a labor lien suit in district court in December 1859 to recover the money owed him by the seminary board. These proceedings did

not stop the ongoing conduct of classes. The school announced an August 6, 1860, reception for pupils by its principal, T. B. Hancock, and assistants, Miss Emma Hancock and Miss Mollie Ford.

Some answers regarding the Cottage Grove seminary are hard to come by – some questions go unanswered. No deed conveying ownership of the seminary site to the school was ever recorded at the court house. The state charters gave these private schools wide discretion about acquiring and disposing of their property. The Red Land Seminary operated the school on the property of Robert E. Wyche for two years before purchasing the land from him in 1861.

We are told that the Cottage Grove seminary was located across the road from the Milling house. Doctor James S. Milling, a physician and planter in Fairfield District, South Carolina, came to Bossier Parish in 1859. He left his wife Mary and family in South Carolina while establishing himself as a planter with his slaves in Louisiana. A collection of correspondence received from his wife and others shortly before and during the Civil War has been preserved. (Academic Affairs Library, UNC-CH, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill – copy at Bossier Parish Library Historical Center) (Used here by permission expressed in the Milling Papers)

Mary wrote that her father advised to only rent land during the uncertain times leading up to the Civil War. One letter, dated June 8, 1861, was written from Louisiana by B. C. Rosborough to Dr. Milling while away, probably on one of his stays back in South Carolina. This seems to indicate that Milling was planting in the northwest quadrant of the Cottage Grove junction. It reads in part: "I haven't been over all of your crop, but I have been in the Andrews field & your cotton looks very sorry. Shackelford says the Palmer field is not quite as bad as the Andrews field." Milling was evidently renting the tracts of land in the SE ¼ of Section 19 belonging to Edwin C. Andrews and that previously belonging to his father-in-law, Archibald Palmer. Lt. E. C. Andrews, a member of the parish's Vance Guards Company, would die of fever later that year at Camp Moore near New Orleans.

Doctor Milling was enumerated with his family at the home of his parents in South Carolina in the 1860 census. It is evident that he had not changed his residence of record. He continued to receive letters from his family in South Carolina, and from others, at the Rocky Mount and Collinsburg post offices during the period of the War Between the States. After the war he would bring his family to Cottage Grove. On October 18, 1866, he buys from Dr. Francis Abney, "the house and ten acre lot known as "Cottage Grove" situated on the Rocky Mount Road 6 miles from Collinsborough (sp)" for \$2,000.

The Bossier Banner's "Retrospective" column of August 12, 1920, repeated its news from "Sixty Years Ago," announcing a new session at the Cottage Grove Seminary. A commentary, no doubt by the editor, states: "Many of us remember the fine old school building that once stood at Cottage Grove. Its location was across the road from the present Milling home." An oral interview with local historian, John Ardis Manry, by Rodney Bellar on June 6, 1988, addresses the location of the seminary building. Mr. Manry said that many years ago he had gone with his father to visit the two Milling daughters still living in the old Milling house. He said that the Cottage Grove Seminary had been located right across the road. The daughters showed them the still standing old U-shaped building where the students had lived. (Bossier Parish Library Historical Center Oral History Files)

To be continued.....

SE ¼ OF SECT 19	SW ¼ OF SECT 20
Mrs. Ricks' Property	A
ROAD	
E D	C B
NE ¼ OF SECT 30	NW ¼ OF SECT 29

Cottage Grove Community

- A. Dr Abney/Dr. Milling House
- B. Cottage Grove Seminary
- C. District 10 Public School
- D. Cottage Grove Cemetery
- E. Cottage Grove Memorial Presbyterian Church

CHRISTMAS AT UNIONVILLE

A story of Christmas in a small country community

Submitted by James G. (Jim) Jones

Christmas 1960 was near and the small community of Unionville did not have any fancy Christmas street lighting, a Christmas parade or a Santa Claus for the children to give their Christmas list to but there was a spirit of the joy of Christmas in the air for all to experience.

Unionville at that time was located at the intersection of two highways and consisted of homes scattered for five miles in all directions from the center of the community – the Colvin and Jones Grocery Store and Gas Station. My grandfather Tut had operated the store for over sixty years and my father had been a partner in the business for about ten years. My grandparents lived next to the store and we lived across the intersection in a house that my parents had just built.

As you would drive through the community, all of the houses with bright lights and beautiful door decorations made it obvious that it was Christmas time. But the sight that caught everyone's eye was my father's Christmas tree that he had decorated for years. The tree was a large live pine tree (about 20' high) in front of my grandparent's house near the main highway. The tree was on a raised area between the house and the road and was a sight to behold because it was decorated from the bottom to the top with lights with all the colors of the rainbow. In those days, one could not run down to Wal Mart and buy the strings of light to decorate a tree of this size so my father had to be very innovative. He made the string of lights by using a twisted wire electrical cord (the type of electrical cord that was used to make drop cords for lights in those days). He then wired in a light bulb socket about every three feet to complete the string. For the bulbs he used regular forty watt light bulbs which he dipped into different colors of paint. After the paint had dried and all the bulbs had been screwed into their sockets the hanging of the lights was ready to begin. There was no high lift bucket truck available so my father used his inventiveness again and rigged up a long pole with a hook on the end to lift the light string into the tree. Once this was complete and the string plugged up and the lights burning brightly everyone in Unionville knew it was officially Christmas.

As you wandered away from the tree toward the store the sounds were reminders that it was surely Christmas time. The store was always a busy place this time of year and the sight of all the people hurrying about to do their last minute shopping and wishing each other a merry Christmas were a delight to the ears. As you neared the front porch of the store there was the aroma of Christmas in the air. There was always an abundant supply of apples and oranges in

the store at this time of year and since the fruit was in open wooden crates there was always the delightful smell of apples and oranges in the air.

As you walked up the steps toward the front door you could see the light from inside peeking around the cracks around the door and hear the noise inside from the many Christmas shoppers. As you open the door you feel the warmth coming from inside that was provided by the large space heater that was in the back corner of the store. This was the only source of heat for the store, but kept the store comfortably warm and toasty during the cold winter days and was a favorite gathering place for customers to gather and remove the winter chill from the body.

The first thing that you see upon opening the door and stepping into the store interior was the checkout counter in the front center of the store with a display of one of the best parts of Christmas. There were four large plastic bins filled to the brim with the standard Christmas candies for that era – orange slices with their tangy orange flavoring and sugar coating that made them impossible to resist – chocolate drops with their creamy white center that melted in your mouth – sugar coated gumdrops in as many flavors as the different colors of light on the Christmas tree outside – and my favorite, the coconut bon bons with their chocolate outside shell and a cream filled center mixed with coconut.

Further into the store you see wooden boxes full of the most delicious fruits imaginable. The red delicious apples were crispy, juicy and sweet and were always the largest of the year. The oranges were large naval oranges that were very easy to peel by hand but always made a complete mess because they were so juicy. Next to the fruit were large burlap bags full of nuts of every description – English walnuts, Brazil nuts, hazel nuts, pistachio and the favorite our home grown pecans from our four pecan trees.

Walking past the fruits and nuts the meat counter comes into view. At this time of the year the meat counter was overflowing with the meats that were the favorites for the holiday season. There were large smoked hams and plump turkeys that were ready for the customers' ovens and family Christmas dinner tables. Continuing the tour past the large space heater – perhaps pausing for a moment to warm your backside – you find yourself in the dry goods section of the store. The objects that caught your eye in this part of the store were the large display of costume jewelry that my mother had on display for Christmas time. She sold these all year long but at this time of year she would have many extra selections for the ladies of the community.

Naturally, this time of year the store kept both the Colvin and Jones families very busy but we still had some time to prepare for their family Christmas. The store was opened at daybreak and stayed open to late hours at night but during the slack periods there was time to prepare meals, restock shelves, and do a little Christmas shopping of our own and sometimes an

emergency trip to Ruston to Ritchie Grocery Wholesaler for an item that we had run out of. Even though the store was not usually decorated with lights my grandparents and parents front porches and doors were always well adorned for the season. My mother's favorite decoration for the front of the house was to cover the door with red paper, place a large wreath in the center of the door and frame the door with a string of lights. This was also my favorite decoration because to me it was so serene and pleasant and helped to keep the real spirit of Christmas alive.

Let's not forget the inside Christmas trees. Even though in the later years mother succumbed to some of the commercializing of Christmas and bought an aluminum revolving tree with a colored spot light (which I hated), most of the time we would use live cedar trees from the nearby woods. Some of the most memorable times of my life were those annual treks to the woods to find the perfect tree to decorate. We would grab an axe, climb into the pickup truck and head for one of the several sections of woods that we just knew would have the perfect tree we were looking for. After much trudging through the woods and discussion about which tree would be just right, we would wield the axe and cut our "perfect" tree down and load it into the truck and head home. There was much excitement in the air as we headed for home where we would trim the tree bring it inside and begin decorating it. After the lights, balls, icicles and finally the angel top were all adorning the tree we would all go outside in the cold weather and give our oohs and aahs of approval of how "perfect" this year's tree was.

Although we had been very busy at the store for weeks the busiest time of this season was Christmas Eve. We would be busy with last minute shoppers until late into the night and would not really have time for family but that was OK we would have tomorrow off for the first time in quite a while. When we would finally close the store my father and grandfather would do something that would remain with me and set some of my values in life forever. They would gather all of the extra fruit and foods that we had not sold along with other items that they knew some people needed that they were not able to afford and load up the truck and make deliveries late into the night. As we went to sleep that night we slept very peacefully and comfortably and were very thankful to have been blessed to have been born into such a family.

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John Luther Kelly, M. D.

A physician and surgeon with an exceptional record of service, Dr. John Luther Kelly is a veteran of the World War, has practiced medicine in several localities of Louisiana, and since the war has been located at Oak Grove in West Carroll Parish.

He is a commander of Charles H. Catron Post No. 53 of the American Legion at Oak Grove, is secretary of the West Carroll Medical Society and is present parish health officer. Doctor Kelly volunteered for service in the Army Medical Corps in May, 1917. He attended the First Medical Officer's Training School at Camp Greenleaf, was commissioned a first lieutenant and assigned duty at Camp Lee, Virginia. He was promoted to captain and later to major and went overseas as regimental surgeon with the Three Hundred and Fourteenth Field Artillery. He was overseas from March, 1918, until June, 1919. The Three Hundred and Fourteenth Field Artillery was on the battle line fifty-three consecutive days and 22 percent of its personnel were on the casualty list. Doctor Kelly himself was slightly gassed and was injured when thrown from a horse. He received his honorable discharge at Camp Lee, Virginia, June 17, 1919, and now holds a commission as major in the Medical Officer's Reserve Corps.

Doctor Kelly comes of a family of physicians and was born August 10, 1882, son of Dr. John F. and Lillie Ann Wade Kelly. His mother was a daughter of Dr. John Wade, one of the pioneer medical men in Union Parish, Louisiana. Dr. John F. Kelly was a graduate in medicine from Tulane University at New Orleans, and was surgeon in Company I of the Third Louisiana Regiment during the war between the states. For a period of forty years he enjoyed the honors

and responsibilities of an extensive medical practice in Winn and Grant parishes, and represented Winn Parish in the State Senate. He was in the Senate during the anti-lottery fight and was one of the legislators whom no influence could betray from the path of duty and his honest convictions. He was seventy years of age when he died, and his widow, now seventy-nine, lives at Winnfield with her son, Dr. D. W. Kelly. The late Dr. John F. Kelly was president of the Grant Parish School Board, was a Baptist, and a Royal Arch Mason.

One of the five children, John Luther Kelly graduated from Colfax High School, and studied medicine in the University of Nashville and the University of Tennessee, graduating M. D. from the latter institution. In the course of his experience he has had some unusual opportunities for post-graduate study and clinical work, including attendance at the army Surgeon's School while with the Expeditionary Forces. For one year he was resident surgeon in the eye, ear, nose and throat hospital at New Orleans and another year was resident surgeon in the Memphis General Hospital. During 1923 he spent ninety days in post-graduate study at Tulane University. Doctor Kelly first engaged in practice at Rochelle in Grant Parish from May, 1908, until May, 1910, and from 1910 to 1917 was located at Montrose. After his discharge from the army he located at Oak Grove. Doctor Kelly in 1916 was elected a member of the State Legislature from Natchitoches Parish during the Governor Pleasant administration. He served as chairman of the committee of public health and quarantine, and resigned his seat to enter the army.

Doctor Kelly married Miss May Ethel Thompson, a native of Moline, Illinois. They have one son, John L., Jr., born in 1913. This son's present expectations are to take up and pursue a career as a physician and surgeon. Doctor Kelly took his first degrees in Masonry at Colfax, is now a member of the lodge at Oak Grove, and belongs to the Scottish Rite Consistory and El Karubah Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Shreveport.

[The above was extracted from "A History of Louisiana", by Henry E. Chambers, published 1925.]

John F. Kelly, M.D., born July 16, 1836, died abt. 1905.

John Luther Kelly, Sr., M.D., born August 10, 1882, died November 7, 1934 and buried at Alexandria National Cemetery, Pineville, Louisiana.

This article and photos were contributed by Keith LeBlanc, who is a Great Grandson of John Luther Kelly, M.D.

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Turk, Toni M.
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Surnames: McDougall, Carpenter, Davidson and Martin

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Greenwood, LA 71033-3305
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The membership of the Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association is proud to welcome all new members.

An Internet search showed me my true beginnings

Uncovering My Family History

By *Connie Schultz*

Published: 07/04/2010

[Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Connie Schultz is a columnist for the Cleveland Plain Dealer. <http://www.parade.com/news/2010/07/04-uncovering-my-family-history.html>]

My husband has an elaborate family tree: a name for every branch, each of them dangling dozens of stories like ornaments on a Christmas tree. A war hero, adventurers, first in the family to do this or discover that--on and on it goes, like a PBS miniseries.

My family is more like a tumble weed: a mysterious jumble of dust and bramble that my parents ducked when it rolled our way. Dad hardly ever mentioned his extended family, let alone his roots. I knew his parents were the first generation to be born here, but that was it. "We're from Germany, from Berlin," he said when I asked. "We like beer."

My mother shared his reticence about the past. Although she looked the quintessential Irish lass, inheriting her mother's thick, dark hair and blue eyes the color of a breaking dawn; she knew virtually nothing about that side of the family. She had been raised by her father's parents. When Mom and Dad married, it was almost as if they'd agreed to wipe the ancestral slate clean and start over.

Even though I was curious, I waited too long to have those conversations with my parents--both died in their 60s, taking their memories with them. And I was hesitant to try to research my roots, something that seemed to demand years of legwork and correspondence. I imagined myself sneezing over dusty volumes in libraries and historical societies for hours on end, prowling for tiny clues in documents dense with minutiae. No thanks.

Leave it to the Internet to change how we meet our ancestors. In the last decade, genealogy has become a passion, and millions of Americans have excavated their roots without leaving their home computers. There are many genealogical websites, but **Ancestry.com** is the world's largest family history resource, with 17 million trees created by members who have paid a fee to search billions of records and documents that staff and volunteers have painstakingly transcribed, photographed, and scanned.

Paying the World Deluxe Membership fee of \$299.40 allowed me to search U.S. and international records for a year. I filled out a family tree, plugging in the little I had: the

names of my parents and siblings, grandparents on both sides of the family, and great-grandparents on my mother's side. Because one of my father's brothers had "friended" me on Facebook, I used his list to input the names of Dad's siblings.

A few days later, an Ancestry.com representative called with news. (To expedite matters for this article, I received extra assistance, something all users can get for an additional fee.) After an hour of sifting through public documents including censuses, newspapers, church records, and death certificates, he was able to add 11 people to my tree.

Start building your own family tree right now...

I spent an hour or so doing my own research—and got hooked. It did take time to become familiar with the website's various prompts. Little green leaves wiggle next to names, offering "hints" that may or may not lead to information. Occasionally, I used Google to research the relevance and definition of documents. For instance, I didn't know that in Ireland a "tithing plot index" can serve as a way to determine a person's standing in his or her community. But with time and effort came rewards, and new branches sprouted.

As it turns out, Dad may have known more about his family than he let on. Most of his ancestors did come from Berlin, and one of his nephews had posted a photo of my paternal grandmother when she was young. I clicked on the black-and-white thumbnail, and there she was: a female version of my father's face. Because my father had 12 siblings who had dozens of children, I am continuously finding more relatives—and surprises. I didn't know that my paternal grandmother's side came from England. So, why did Dad speak only about our German heritage? Some questions can't be answered by a website.

But it is the voices from my Irish past—my mother's side—that have always called me most loudly. From an early age and with scant evidence, I knew a crucial part of me started there. And now I know her name.

Starting with my maternal grandmother's birth and census records, Ancestry.com staff located ship manifests and Irish censuses that led me to my great-great-grandmother Emma Peck's mother and father in County Fermanagh, Northern Ireland. John Denham and Susanna Bell had married in Trory Church of Ireland parish in Enniskillen in 1852. They emigrated to this country that year, the last one of the great famine during which Ireland lost nearly one-quarter of its population. Like so many of their contemporaries, my great-great-grandparents traded despair for a future that they could not see. They hinged their hopes on America.

Ordinary Americans, Amazing Discoveries...

Finally, at the age of 52, I know the name of their daughter--Emma Denham, who later became Emma Peck. She was the first on that side of my family to be born in the United States, in Greene County, Ohio. Online, I found a photo of her actual death certificate and whispered, "It's you."

In 1948, an Ohio registrar, Ray M. Brown, had filled in some of the details in clear, looping handwriting:

Full name: Emma Jane Peck widowed.

Birth date of deceased: July 22, 1866.

Age: 81 years, 9 months and 24 days.

Usual occupation: Housewife.

The accompanying medical certification was in her doctor's tight, hurried hand: "I hereby certify...that death occurred on the date and hour stated above: May 16, 1948, hour 9, minutes 15 p.m."

I stared at the account of my great-great-grandmother's final hours and wondered who was with her when she died. Was she alone or did someone hold her hand? Were her last days like those of my mother, her great-granddaughter, who smiled as she described the spirits of deceased loved ones waiting for her at the foot of her bed?

I've always been afraid that my parents were harboring dark secrets about a toxic bloodline. But while our family history has its share of heartbreak, I've found everyday heroes and dreamers, too. It takes courage to live ordinary lives. We had no celebrities, but we've had our stars.

Research has dug up harder truths as well. With two clicks, I found my parents' obituaries. I am the journalist in the family, so it fell to me to write them, although I had no memory of composing the stories that popped up on my screen: "He was a star basketball player at New Lyme-Deming High School, where he was elected Basketball King in his senior year. That same year, he had the honor of placing the homecoming queen's crown on the head of his girlfriend, Alvina Jane BeBout. After graduating in 1955, they married in 1957. Janey died in 1999... As a father, he raised his four children to be proud of their working-class roots and sent all of them to college..."

Sometimes, I walk away from my computer, from the story of my roots. But now I hear ancestors calling my name.

THE NICHOLSON FAMILY CEMETERIES

By Libby Dady Alcorn

Peter Nicholson traveled from Scotland to America about 1805. At this time he was a widower traveling with his two sons. Shortly after he arrived in America he married Margaret McSwain and settled in the Pearl River/Amite area of Mississippi, according to Mrs. G.A. Frierson, L.S. Frierson, Mrs. L.C. Oliver, and Mrs. W.E. Maxwell, all Nicholson descendants. Sadly, Peter Nicholson drowned in the Pearl River about 1836.

After Peter's death, Margaret McSwain Nicholson and their nine children moved to Louisiana and settled in southern Caddo Parish. The children's names were: Angus, Peter Jr., Roderick I, Roderick II, Roland, Daniel, Malcolm, Sarah Elizabeth, and Euphemia (Effie).

Angus B. Nicholson built his home on the highest point in an area now known as Meriwether Road and just west of Mansfield Road. Angus was married to Mary Youngblood.

Roderick Nicholson (I), established his home to the south and east of Angus' home, also near what is now Mansfield Road. In 1848 Roderick married Susan Ann Quarles, daughter of Daniel C. Quarles.

Peter Nicholson, another brother was a physician and established his home on a hill to the east of Angus' and Roderick I's homes. Their home was known for years as the "Herndon Place". Peter married Laura J. Willis and had three children, Margaret, Josephine, and Robert Nicholson. Dr. Peter Nicholson died before 1847. Years later his widow Laura, married James B. Willis and moved to DeSoto Parish.

Roderick Nicholson II, another brother, married Mary Ann McDonald. Together they had four children: Peter, Elizabeth, Malcolm, and Catherine. Roderick II died about 1840. His widow Mary Ann married John D. Ford about 1842. She remained in Caddo Parish until she died in the late 1850's.

Daniel Nicholson, another brother, married Candace Taylor. He died about 1841. Another brother, Roland Nicholson, is buried in the Roderick Nicholson Cemetery but the date of death is unknown. Malcolm Nicholson died shortly after he finished Medical School.

Along with these seven brothers were two sisters: Sarah Elizabeth Nicholson and Euphemia "Effie" Nicholson. Sarah Elizabeth married Alson Taylor. Together they had seven children: Mary Louisa, Alexander Sandy, Euphemia, William, Roderique, Tranquilla, and Margaret. I am a descendant of Alson & Sarah Elizabeth Taylor Nicholson. Euphemia "Effie" Nicholson, one of the sisters, married Jesse V. Brantley in 1839. I do not know if they had children.

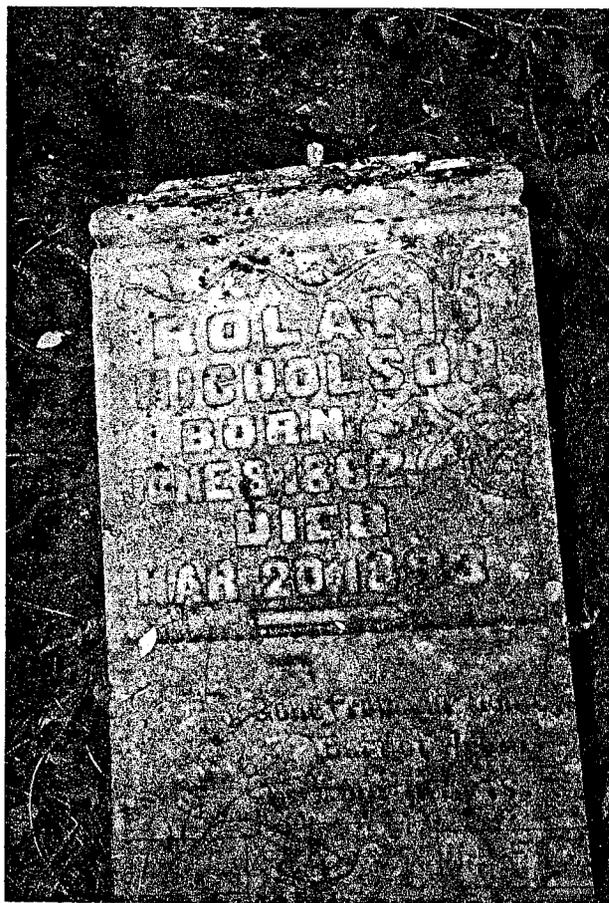
The brothers Angus and Roderick I, each established a Nicholson Family Cemetery on their plantations. Unfortunately, years later when their families sold the land, these cemeteries became "lost". While burial information for my Nicholson ancestors was noted in my family history, the actual location of the cemeteries was a mystery.

As I've grown older, I've become more interested in my family's genealogy. Although I do not recall ever visiting the Nicholson cemeteries as a young girl, I do remember my Grandmother

telling me her “grandparents were buried on their family’s plantation”. Curiosity got the best of me last year, and I was determined to find where they were buried. While several genealogy websites referred to the Nicholson Cemeteries, they contained conflicting dates and names. I wanted to personally photograph the headstones and verify the information.

I am fortunate to have quite a lot of family history passed down from my Grandmother and my Mother. Among their papers was an article by Mildred Watkins, staff writer for the Shreveport Journal. On July 31, 1973 she wrote an article titled “Found - One Tombstone”. The article told of two Shreveport boys that found a headstone along Bayou Pierre on 70th Street near East Ridge Drive. The boys’ family contacted the newspaper to help locate its proper “resting place”. The headstone was for the grave of Angus B. Nicholson (b. 1861, d. 1862), son of Angus B. and Mary Youngblood Nicholson. Mildred Watkins’ article included some history about the Nicholson family. She also made certain the headstone was returned to its proper location, the Angus Nicholson Family Cemetery. Fortunately for me, my Mother read this article and saved it. There were several “clues” about the actual location for both cemeteries.

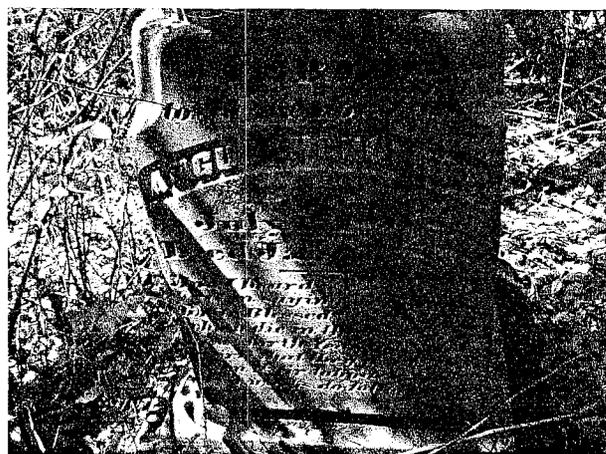
I was able to locate and photograph the Roderick Nicholson Cemetery in April of 2010. A nearby homeowner cleared a path to the fenced cemetery. She and I climbed its tall chain link fence (there is no gate, only a fence). We located several of the toppled headstones to photograph.



The Roderick Nicholson Cemetery (Located off of Torento Lane and to the East of Mansfield Road, Shreveport, Louisiana)

1. NICHOLSON, Margaret McSwain – born 7/1/1789; died 10/22/1861; Wife of Peter Nicholson: (Note: This grave was listed in the July 31, 1973 Shreveport Journal article, but the grave stone could not be located in 2010)
2. NICHOLSON, Susan A. Quarles – born about 1826; died 4/22/1871: “Wife of Roderick Nicholson” “45 years 7 months”
3. NICHOLSON, Roland – born 6/8/1862; died 3/20/1893; “Gone from our home not from our hearts”
4. CARLETON, John H. – born 9/1/1842; died 4/10/1874: First husband of Alice Nicholson
5. NICHOLSON, Alice – born 9/16/1851; died 7/25/1930
6. NICHOLSON, Ross – born 12/4/1876; died 2/10/1923
7. NICHOLSON, Dan E. – born 9/16/1851; died 7/25/1930;
8. NICHOLSON, Sarah Elizabeth – born 5/31/1852; died 9/11/1889: First wife of Dan E. Nicholson: “faithful.....” (Almost illegible)
9. NICHOLSON, Daniel E. Jr. – born 8/26/1885; died 11/5/1918; (Note: Grave was recorded in 1973, but could not be located in 2010)
10. TAYLOR, Alson – born 4/17/1807; died 8/27/1878; Husband of Sarah Elizabeth Nicholson Taylor: (Note: Grave was recorded in 1973, but could not be located in 2010)
11. HALL, Tranquilla – born about 1829; died 12/22/1859; First wife of John E. Hall: (Note: Grave was recorded in 1973, but could not be located in 2010)
12. HALL, John E. – born 1825; died 7/17/1877: Husband of Tranquilla Taylor Hall & Euphemia Taylor Hall: (Note: Grave was recorded in 1973, but could not be located in 2010)

The Angus Nicholson Cemetery was more difficult to find. I was able to establish its approximate location through family notes and public records. A breakthrough came when I found the cemetery’s approximate location on an aerial map of the area. My brother, Ralph, and I found the cemetery in August of 2010. I photographed and took inventory of all headstones we could locate.



These two cemeteries are surrounded by land owned by the City of Shreveport. This land is not regularly tended to, making it nearly impossible to find these cemeteries. I've been told the city does not actually own the cemetery land. Most of the headstones are now toppled and broken. Many headstones are buried under dirt, debris, and fallen trees. Sadly they have been forgotten and neglected.

The Angus Nicholson Cemetery (Located on Meriwether Road and to the West of Mansfield Road, Shreveport, Louisiana)

1. NICHOLSON, Angus B. - born 12/31/1861; died 10/23/1862; Son of A & M Nicholson: *"Thou hast our angel; Lord Almighty and just to whom could we better our treasure trust"* ; Note: this headstone was photographed for a 7/31/1973 Shreveport Journal article and shows it to be in excellent condition, however, the headstone is now missing.
2. NICHOLSON, Angus B. - born 1863; died 6/22/1887; Son of A & M Nicholson: Note: This is the second child of A&M Nicholson that is named Angus B. Born after Angus I died.
3. NICHOLSON, Angus B. - born 7/1/1808; died 1/17/1876; Husband of Mary Youngblood Nicholson: *"To the memory of Angus Nicholson; And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me. Write - Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from hence forth. Yea saith the Spirit that they may rest from their labours and their works do follow them."*
4. NICHOLSON, Alexander P. - born 2/26/1844; died 1/3/1862; Son of A&M Nicholson: *"He is not dead, but sleepeth"*
5. NICHOLSON, Mary Youngblood - born 7/13/1821; died 4/9/1902; Wife of Angus Nicholson; *"To die is gain"*
6. NICHOLSON, Leona Adella - born 9/2/1857; died 3/22/1858; Infant daughter of A&M Nicholson: *"6 mos 20 days"*
7. NICHOLSON, M. Ella - born 1854; died 186? (Dates illegible); Daughter of A&M Nicholson: *"Thou art....."*
8. NICHOLSON, Mattie B. - born 12/13/1859; died 8/12/1863; Daughter of A&M Nicholson: Note: Can not read inscription
9. NICHOLSON, Angus - born 8/11/1898; died 9/7/1899; Son of Henry Y & Hattie Nicholson; *"Asleep in Jesus"*
10. WALKER, Mary Iler - born 7/4/1876; died 11/4/1876; Daughter of D.A.S. & Annie Walker
11. MOORING, Mary E. Nicholson - born 7/1/1849; died 10/30/1933; Daughter of A&M Nicholson
12. MOORING, T. Matt - born 8/14/1835; died 5/5/1885; *"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord"*. Masonic symbol on headstone. Confederate soldier.
13. MOORING, Little Pet - born 1877; died 8/14/1878; Infant daughter of Matt & Mary Mooring: *"Little Pet infant daughter of"* 13 months; (almost illegible)

*Photos and cemetery information provided by Libby Dady Alcorn
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Who Do You Think You Are? U.S. 2011 edition begins February 4th

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NBC ANNOUNCES THE CELEBRITIES TRACING THEIR FAMILY TREES ON SEASON TWO OF 'WHO DO YOU THINK YOU ARE?' PREMIERING FEBRUARY 4

Gwyneth Paltrow, Tim McGraw, Rosie O'Donnell, Steve Buscemi, Kim Cattrall, Lionel Richie, Vanessa Williams and Ashley Judd Take a Look Inside Their Family Histories on NBC's Genealogy Alternative Series Produced by Lisa Kudrow.

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. – December 16, 2010 – Viewers can take an up-close and personal look inside the family history of some of today's most beloved and iconic celebrities when NBC's "Who Do You Think You Are?" returns for its second season on Friday, February 4 (8-9 p.m. ET). The celebrities who star in the series are Gwyneth Paltrow, Tim McGraw, Rosie O'Donnell, Steve Buscemi, Kim Cattrall, Lionel Richie, Vanessa Williams and Ashley Judd.

From executive producers Lisa Kudrow ("Friends," "The Comeback") and Dan Bucatinsky ("Lipstick Jungle," "The Comeback") – through their production company Is or Isn't Entertainment and Shed Media U.S. ("Supernanny," "The Real Housewives of New York City") – "Who Do You Think You Are?" is an adaptation of the award-winning hit British television documentary series that leads celebrities on a journey of self-discovery as they unearth their family trees that reveal surprising, inspiring and even tragic stories that often are linked to crucial events in American history.

"I've been a fan of the U.K. version of 'Who Do You Think You Are?' for a long time, so it's very rewarding that the U.S. version is back with more compelling stories this season that are illuminating, touching and aspirational," said Kudrow. "This is such a unique show for network television and we're all thrilled that the American audience has embraced it."

From the trenches of the Civil War to the shores of the Caribbean, and from the valleys of Virginia to the island nations of Australia and Ireland, "Who Do You Think You Are?" will reveal the fabric of humanity through everyone's place in history. Each week

a different celebrity takes a journey into their family's past, traveling all over the world. While giving viewers an in-depth look into their favorite stars' family tree, each episode will expose surprising facts and life changing encounters that will unlock people's emotions, show just how connected everyone is not only to the past, but to one another.

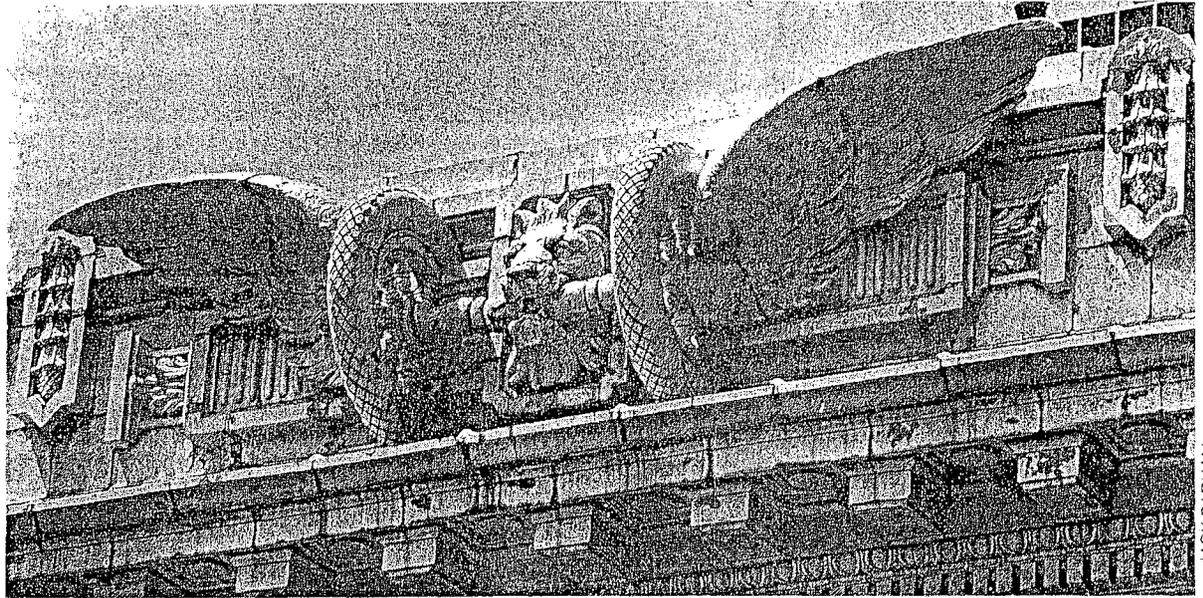
Ancestry.com is NBC and Shed's official partner on the series and will help provide the research used to tell each story. "We're thrilled with this year's strong lineup and look forward to helping Americans go on their own journey of discovery alongside the stars," said Josh Hanna, Head of Global Marketing for Ancestry.com.

"Who Do You Think You Are?" is produced by Shed Media U.S. in association with Is or Isn't Entertainment. Alex Graham, Lisa Kudrow, Dan Bucatinsky, Jennifer O'Connell and Al Edgington are the executive producers. The unique, award-winning series is based on the popular BBC television documentary series from Wall to Wall Productions, created and executive-produced by Graham.

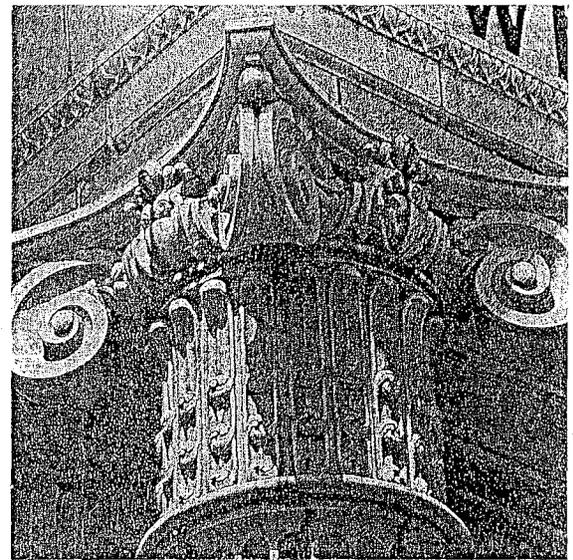
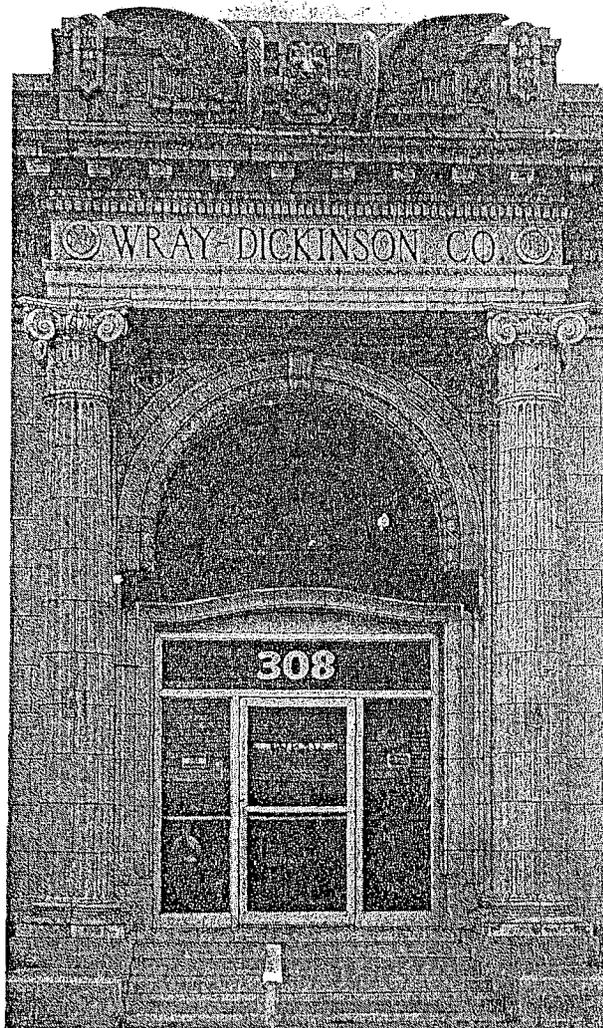
Shed Media U.S. is noted for its strong characters and memorable casting, and produces several popular television shows including: ABC's "Supernanny," Bravo's "The Real Housewives of New York City" and "Bethenny Getting Married?," Animal Planet's "It's Me or the Dog," VH1's "Basketball Wives" and CMT's "World's Strictest Parents." Is or Isn't Entertainment has been developing and producing television and online content since 2003, producing the critically acclaimed and Emmy nominated series "The Comeback" currently making its own comeback on The Sundance Channel. The company's critically acclaimed web-series "Web Therapy," won the 2010 Webby Award for Best Online Comedy -- and recently had the unprecedented addition of Meryl Streep to its illustrious cast list. Showtime is in talks to license 10 half-hour episodes comprised of actual webisodes, to air in early 2011.

Ancestry.com Inc. (Nasdaq: ACOM) is the world's largest online family history resource, with nearly 1.4 million paying subscribers. More than 6 billion records have been added to the site in the past 14 years. Ancestry users have created more than 20 million family trees containing over 2 billion profiles. Ancestry.com has local Web sites directed at nine countries that help people discover, preserve and share their family history, including its flagship Web site at www.ancestry.com.

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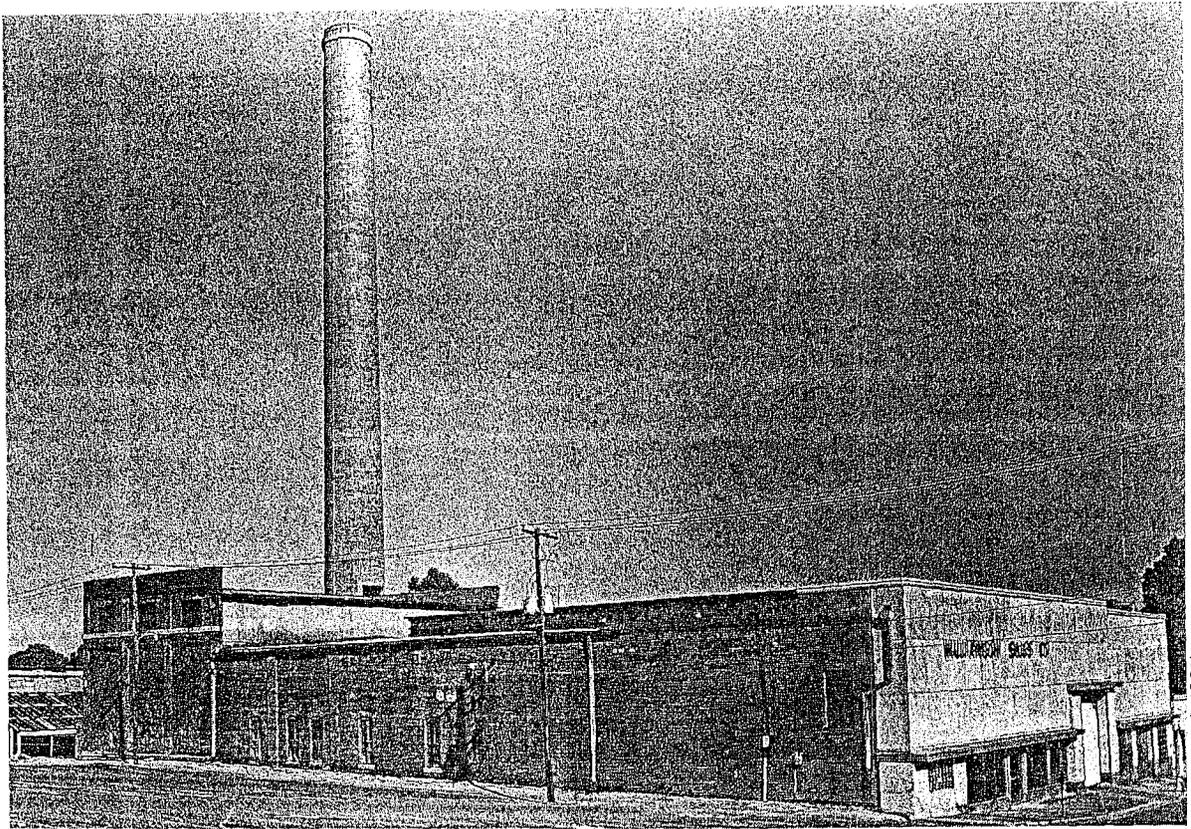
JACK BARHAM



Wray-Dickinson Building
308 Market. 1917.

The winged wheel, symbolizing the arrival of the automobile age in Shreveport, is another example of terra cotta application. The richly ornamented cornice, Corinthian columns and balustrade give a classical feel to what is basically an automobile showroom. Architects Edward F. Neild and Clarence Olschner designed the building.

Historic Shreveport



BAILEY THOMSON

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Edwards Street Generating Plant 102 Edwards. 1899.

As demand for electricity grew in Shreveport, the small direct-current plant at the corner of Caddo and Market became obsolete. The city awarded a franchise to the Shreveport Gas, Electric Light and Power Company to build a new plant on Edwards.

At first, the amount of electricity generated remained small, since the new plant relied on the equipment from the old plant. The current was turned on according to a schedule during the day, and housewives hurried to make use of the electricity in the hours allotted.

In 1903, a gas-fired steam boiler with a 320-horsepower engine was installed, and eventually nine more boilers were added. Generating capacity grew steadily, and Shreveporters came to have electrical power whenever they cared to turn on a light switch or plug in an appliance.

In 1912, Southwestern Gas and Electric Company, now the Southwestern Electric Power Company, purchased the property. The plant continued to be Shreveport's main source of electricity until 1926, when SWEPCO opened its Arsenal Hill plant.

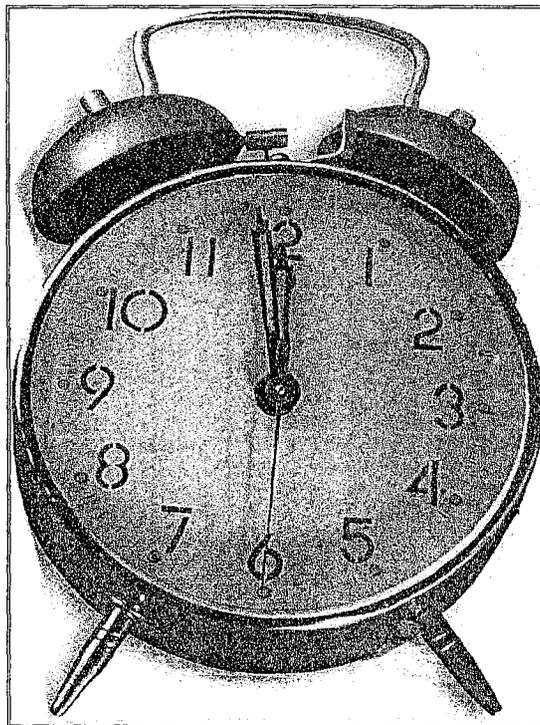
SWEPCO sold the Edwards Street building in 1945. The smokestack remains a familiar downtown landmark.

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ID	NAME (Last, First, Middle)	PRE/SUFFIX	BIRTHDATE	DEATHDATE	INSCRIPTION/NOTES
40	ALLEN, ICIE MAE	MRS.		01 MAY 1985	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 02 MAY 1985
10	BALDWIN, LUCINDA MCKEE		14 MAY 1915	30 JAN 2001	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 2 FEB 2001
7	BARBER, THOMAS			18 JUL 1899	AGED 75 YEARS. OBELISK-SHAPED HS. FOOTSTONE (FS): "T. B."
47	BIDDING, JERRY L.	MRS.		05 OCT 1999	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 08 OCT 1999
48	BLOCKER, ELISHA			FEB 1986	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 04 MAR 1986
9	BLOCKER, MARGARET MCKEE		24 OCT 1933	08 NOV 1986	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 14 NOV 1986
30	BRADLEY, AARON		18 SEP 1911	06 FEB 1972	
5	BRADLEY, EARNEST		15 JAN 1888	23 SEP 1964	LOUISIANA PVT DEP SVC CO ASC WORLD WAR I
28	BRADLEY, FLORENCE M.		11 MAR 1890	08 NOV 1979	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 14 NOV 1979
29	BRADLEY, JAMES	SR.	22 JUL 1884	13 JAN 1969	
31	BRADLEY, VOATRESS		11 MAR 1914	14 JAN 1979	FUNERAL NOTICE, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 17 JAN 1979
2	BROWNFIELD, CLARA H.		08 MAR 1883	16 MAR 1977	DUO. OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 18 MAR 1977
1	BROWNFIELD, FRED B.		06 FEB 1883	11 MAR 1942	PAPA. DUO W/ CLARA H. BROWNFIELD
34	CROWDER, GEORGE	III	08 APR 1954	04 AUG 1987	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 8 AUG 1987
44	DAVIS, ANGELA	MISS		27 JUN 1991	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 01 JUL 1991
35	DAVIS, LILLIE B.	MRS.		23 FEB 1981	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 26 FEB 1981
38	DAVIS, MALCOLM			02 DEC 1983	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 09 DEC 1983
53	DOATY, ADA	MRS.		04 JAN 1975	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 10 JAN 1975
20	DOATY, RONALD KEITH		17 NOV 1967	25 JUN 1992	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 29 JUN 1992
43	DOTSON, ROSETTA	MRS.		31 MAR 2006	F N, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 06 APR 2006
32	FOREMAN, WILLIE		1907	1980	U S ARMY WORLD WAR II
45	JOHNSON, MARY LOUISE			FEB 2007	F N, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 16 FEB 2007
52	JOHNSTON, MAMIE	MRS.		11 AUG 1974	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 13 AUG 1974
12	MCKEE, GUY	JR.	25 DEC 1934	13 MAR 1986	PFC US ARMY. OBIT., BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 15 MAR 1986
11	MCKEE, GUY	SR.	14 OCT 1911	03 JAN 1974	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 07 JAN 1974
18	PRYOR, AUGUSTUS		05 MAR 1908	01 APR 1993	DUO W/ MATILDA PRYOR. MAR'D APRIL 12, 1936
19	PRYOR, MATILDA		22 OCT 1911	19 NOV 1991	DUO W/ AUGUSTUS PRYOR. OBIT., BASTROP (LA) ENTERP., 22 NOV 1991
14	RILEY, JOSEPH		28 AUG 1893	25 MAR 1958	LOUISIANA PFC U S ARMY WORLD WAR I
51	RILEY, JOSEPH			1979	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 18 MAY 1979
17	WADE, TOMMIE LEE		02 FEB 1919	04 SEP 1999	SSGT U S AIR FORCE VIETNAM
37	WASHINGTON, CLARA B.	MRS.		16 SEP 1982	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 24 SEP 1982
49	WATSON, ARTHUR	SR.	23 JUN 1922	12 FEB 2008	F N, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 15 FEB 2008
50	WATSON, BEATRICE			MAR 2008	F N, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 13 MAR 2008
23	WATSON, BESSIE		22 NOV 1905	08 SEP 1973	

OBITUARY

"Funeral Services for MARGARET M. BLOCKER will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, November 15 at the New Morning Star Church with the Rev. Fleetwood Irving of Vallejo, California, officiating.

"Burial will follow at the Mount Nebo Methodist Church Cemetery in Perryville under the direction of Loche's Mortuary.

"Mrs. Blocker died Saturday evening, November 8.

"She graduated from Morehouse High School and Grambling College. She received her Master's degree in childhood education at the University of Sonoma in Sonoma County, California. She attended UCLA of Southern California and NLU of Monroe.

"Survivors include her husband, Elisha McKee of Bastrop; two daughters: Mrs. Howard (Patricia) Hill of Monroe, and Mrs. Ronald (Suzette) Hogan of Los Angeles, California; her mother: Mrs. Lucinda McKee of Bastrop; her grandmother: Mrs. Frances Hobbs of Bastrop; two sisters: Mae Frances Bruce of Kansas City, Missouri, and Gloria M. Williams of Houma; four brothers: Kyonil McKee, Sr., of Perryville, Elder Nathaniel Loche of Minneapolis, Minn.; Willie Charles McKee of Bastrop; and Melvin E. McKee of Lake Charles; and three grandchildren.

"Quiet hour will be from 6-7 p.m. Friday at Loche's Chapel. Visitation will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday before services."

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Source: Obituary of Margaret M. Blocker, (photo), dated November 13, 1986, *Bastrop (LA) Daily Enterprise*, 119 Hickory, Bastrop, Louisiana.

OBITUARY

"GEORGE CROWDER III was born April 8, 1954, to the late George Crowder, Jr., and Dorothy Watson of Bastrop, Louisiana. He departed this life August 4, 1987, in Oakland, California.

"He attended school at Morehouse High.

"He was married to Diane Johnson and to this union, one child was born.

"He is survived by a daughter, LaTrice Crowder; three sisters-Mae Frances Moon of Dallas, Texas; Peggy Wright of Los Angeles, California; and Paula Coleman of Bastrop, Louisiana; a grandfather, Goins Watson of Oakland, California; and Odessa Doaty of Bastrop, Louisiana; three great aunts, and a number of nieces, nephews, and cousins."

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Source: "In Loving Memory of George Crowder III" dated August 11, 1987, in possession of Mrs. Isabelle Woods, 2016 Surrey Lane, Bossier City, Louisiana.

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27	WATSON, CLOTEL	MRS.	21 JUL 1907	11 JUL 2001	FUNERAL HOME MARKER
41	WATSON, DOROTHY P.	MRS.		MAY 1981	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 15 MAY 1981
46	WATSON, GOINS			02 JAN 1997	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 03 JAN 1997
16	WATSON, HUGO		10 MAY 1910	15 DEC 2002	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 20 DEC 2002
25	WATSON, IRENE M.		13 DEC 1884	19 NOV 1958	BELOVED MOTHER
24	WATSON, LEMMIE		JUN 1913	MAR 1969	
4	WATSON, MATTIE				DUO W/ TOMMIE WATSON. DEDICATED BY DESCNDANTS JUNE 1999.
26	WATSON, NAPOLEON B.		27 OCT 1876	19 JAN 1968	BELOVED FATHER
15	WATSON, OZELLA D.		28 APR 1916	30 AUG 1999	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 3 SEP 1999
22	WATSON, RANDLE		24 FEB 1908	14 JUL 1974	
21	WATSON, RUEBELL		30 AUG 1931	06 DEC 1996	"PULL"
3	WATSON, TOMMIE				DUO W/ MATTIE WATSON. DEDICATED BY DESCENDANTS JUNE 1999.
13	WATSON-DOTSON, ROSETTA		27 MAY 1917	31 MAR 2006	REAR OF HS: AMERICUS, WOODLEY, AND THOMAS & MATTIE WATSON
33	WEEKS, JOEY	MR.	16 APR 1958	14 JAN 2007	F N, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 26 JAN 2007
39	WHITLOW, MABLE	MRS.		28 FEB 1983	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 02 MAR 1983
36	WHITLOW, ROOSEVELT			MAR 1984	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 14 MAR 1984
42	WILEY, DOROTHY	MISS		14 JAN 1990	OBITUARY, BASTROP (LA) ENTERPRISE DTD 17 JAN 1990
6	WILLIAMS, WILLIS			17 MAY 1925	MOREHOUSE CHAMBER 4299 BASTROP, LA; MTA SYMBOL
8	YOUNG, MAGGIE		14 OCT 1883	24 NOV 1974	

OBITUARY

"MRS. ADA DOATY, 85, of Perryville, died Saturday, January 4, at Morehouse General Hospital following a brief illness.

"Funeral services will be held Sunday, January 12, at 2 p.m. in the Evening Star No. 2 Baptist Church of Perryville with the Reverend M. N. Nelson officiating. Interment will follow in the Mt. Nebo Cemetery under the direction of Miller's Funeral Home at Monroe.

"Survivors include five sons: Brown Doaty and A. C. Doaty, both of Perryville; George Doaty of Collinston; J. C. Doaty of Bastrop; and Herbert Doaty of Oakland, California; two daughters: Mrs. Pazetta Baker of Bastrop and Mrs. Johnnie Mae Jones of Perryville; 43 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren, and 12 great grandchildren.

"Pallbearers will be grandsons and great grandsons: George Doaty, Jr., Lewis Maxon, James C. Doaty, Louis Stevens, Jimmie Davis, and Larry Davis."

Source: *The Bastrop Daily Enterprise*, 119 Hickory Street, Bastrop, Louisiana, dated January 10, 1975, Page 8, Column 2.

Facts: The 1940 Census

http://www.1930census.com/1940_census_countdown.php

For many genealogists, the countdown to access the 1940 Census has already begun. There are 468 days remaining until Monday, April 2, 2012.

The official date for the 1940 Census was April 1st, but since that day will fall on a Sunday in 2012, it is unclear whether researchers will have weekend access to film at the National Archives or will instead need to wait until Monday to satisfy their genealogical curiosity. (No, this isn't an April Fools joke, you can check your calendar).

What were things like in 1940?



On April 7, 1940, just days after the official date for the 1940 Census enumeration, Booker T. Washington became the first African American to appear on a United States Postage Stamp. At the time, the domestic letter rate was just 3-cents per ounce. The World was also at war in 1940, but it would be more than eighteen months before the United States would enter World War II following the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor by the Japanese. By the time this decade drew to a close the war was over, but the entire world learned of unspeakable war crimes that would forever change the world.

Getting Ready for 1940 Research

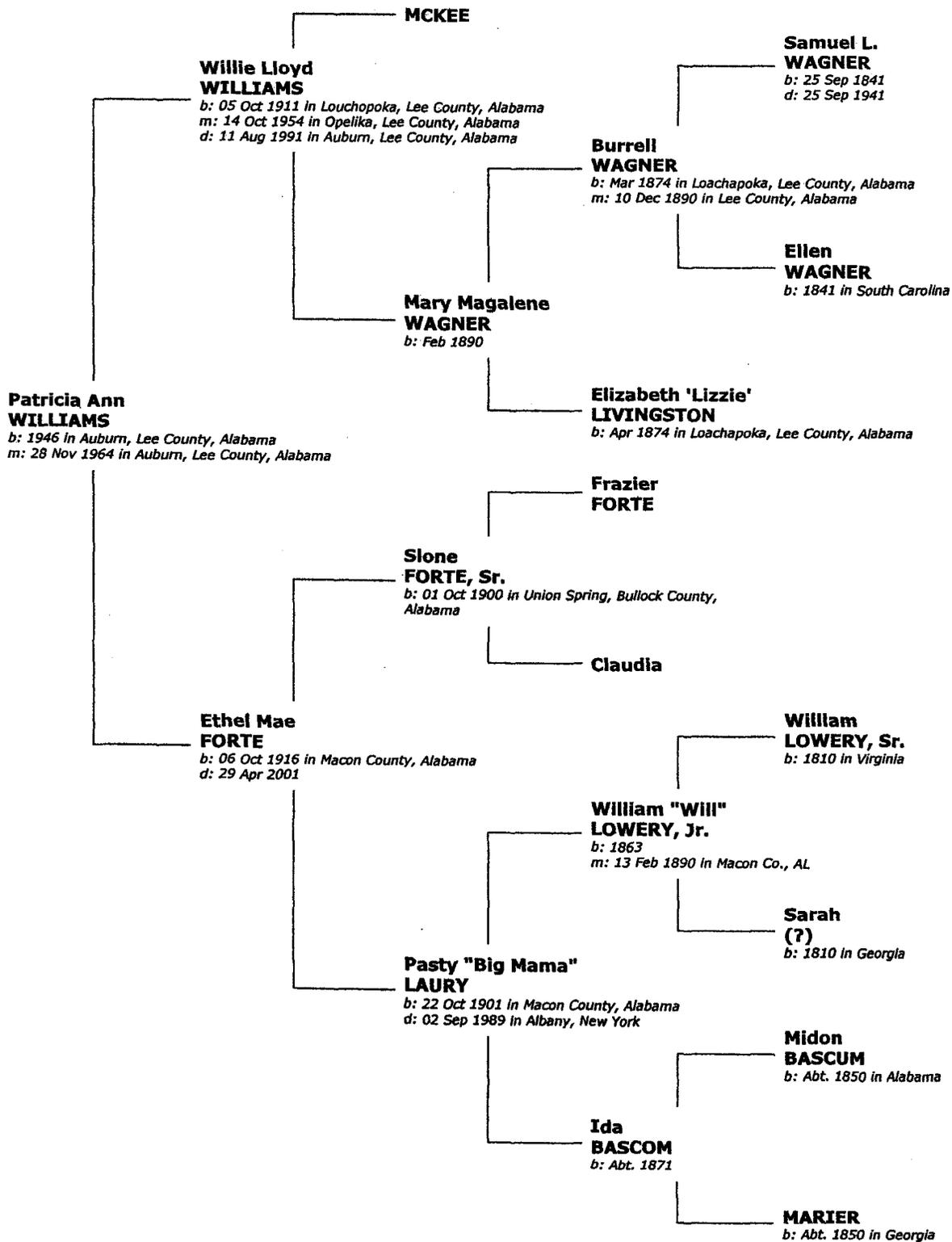
Since you've got so much time, there may be no urgency to this right now, but don't wait until the night before to start getting ready for one of the biggest genealogical events since, well—since April 2002 when the 1930 Census was released.

Start by listing those direct-line ancestors who you have found in the 1930 census and that you know were still living in 1940. While it's possible that they may still be living in the same city or state, don't rule out the fact that your ancestors may have moved. Once you have listed these individuals, consider looking for anyone in their mid-to-late teens or 20s who may have been living in the household in 1930, but may now be found as a head of their own household. Next, you'll want to repeat this same process for indirect ancestors (aunts & uncles).

1940 Census — Street Transcription Project

On 01 April 2012, the 1940 Census will be released from the 72-year privacy mandate and family historians will flood to National Archives in search of ancestors. BUT there will not be an index available and so researchers will be required to know the Enumeration District in the city or town where their ancestors lived. If you would like to help in this effort, visit www.stevemorse.org for more details about a project to create a free time-saving tool for your fellow genealogists.

Ancestors of Patricia Ann Williams



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5 First Steps to Finding Your Roots

By Kimberly Powell, About.com Guide

You've decided to dig into your family history but aren't sure where to begin? These 10 basic steps will get you started on the fascinating journey into your past.

1. Begin with Names

First names, middle names, last names, nicknames...names often provide an important window into the past. Names in your family tree can be found by looking at old certificates and documents, by *asking your relatives*, and by looking at *family photos* and *newspaper clippings* (wedding announcements, obituaries, etc.) Search especially for *maiden names* for any female ancestors as they may help identify the parents, taking you back a generation in the family tree. Naming patterns used in the family may also hold a clue to previous generations. *Family surnames* were often adopted as given names, as were middle names which sometimes indicate the maiden name of a mother or grandmother. Watch also for *nicknames*, as they may also help you identify your ancestors. Expect to encounter plenty of *spelling variations* as name spellings and pronunciations generally evolve over time, and the surname your family uses now may not be the same as the one they began with. Names are also often just written down wrong, by people who spelled phonetically, or by individuals trying to transcribe messy handwriting for an index.

2. Compile Vital Statistics

As you search for the names in your family tree, you should also gather the *vital statistics* that go with them. Most importantly you should look for dates and places of *births*. *Marriages* and *deaths*. Again, turn to the papers and photos in your home for clues, and *ask your relatives* for any details they can provide. If you run across conflicting accounts – two different birth dates for great Aunt Emma, for example – just record them both until more information comes along which helps point to one or the other.

3. Collect Family Stories

As you quiz your relatives about names and dates, take time to *elicit and write down* their stories as well. The *'history'* in your family history begins with these memories, helping you to really get to know the people your ancestors were. Among these stories you may learn of special family traditions or *famous family legends* that have been passed down from generation to generation. While they will likely contain some creative remembrances and embellishments, family stories generally have some basis in fact, providing clues for further research.

4. Select a Focus

After gathering names, dates and stories about your family, the next step is to choose a specific *ancestor*, couple, or family line on which to *focus your search*. You could choose to learn more about your dad's parents, an ancestor you were named after, or all descendants of your maternal grandparents. The key here isn't what or who you choose to study; just that it is a small enough project to be manageable. This is especially important if you're just starting out on your family tree quest. People who try to do it all at once tend to get bogged down in details, often overlooking important clues to their past.

5. Chart Your Progress

Genealogy is basically one big puzzle. If you don't put the pieces together in just the right way, then you'll never get to see the final picture. To make sure your puzzle pieces end up in the proper positions you should use *pedigree charts* and *family group sheets* to record your research data and keep track of your progress. *Genealogy software programs* are another good option for recording your information, and will allow you to print out the data in a nice variety of chart formats. *Blank genealogy charts* can also be downloaded and printed for free from many different online sources.

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Allain, Jr.	Daniel Albeo	Biennu, 2nd LT, Jean Baptiste	126	S	87409	1
Allain, Jr.	Daniel Albeo	LeBlanc, Louis Alexander Baltazare	1276	S	87409	1
Allain, Jr.	Daniel Albeo	Oliver, Nicholas Joseph Gottfroy	1276	S	87409	1
Allerton, III	William	Allerton, John	3039		161635	2
Ambrose	Stephen Edward	Montague, Richard	2882		158501	2
Anders, Jr.	Frank A.	Mullins, Clement	3019		157981	2
Angers	Winston Thomas	Broussard, Francois	2371	S	131136	1
Angers	Winston Thomas	Broussard, Jean Baptiste	2371	S	131136	1
Angers	Winston Thomas	Broussard, Joseph	2371	S	131136	1
Angers	Winston Thomas	Thibodeaux, Amand	2371	S	131136	1
Angers	Winston Thomas	Thibodeaux, Jean Anselme	2371	S	131136	1
Barbato	Daniel Michael	Griffin, Jr., William	2806		154305	2
Barbato	Cullen Griffin	Griffin, Jr., William	2807		154306	2
Barber, Jr.	Vaughn William	Barber, John	2683	S	148897	1
Barber, Jr.	Vaughn William	Richardson, John	2683	S	148897	1
Barksdale	Henry Ripley	Joseph, Barksdale	3032		161121	2
Barr	William W.	Mouton, Jean	2578	S	115076	1
Barre'	Charles Howard	Bordelon, Antoine	2739	S	151199	1

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Barre'	Charles Howard	Gagnard, Jacques	2739	S	151199	1
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Barre'	Charles Howard	LaCour, Jean Baptiste	2739	S	151199	1
Bartkiewicz	Thomas Nelson	Gammon, Daniel	2839		155277	2
Bell	John Norman	Litsey, Anthony	2879		158123	2
Blackledge	Ryan Hamilton	Grayson, Spence	3003		159822	2
Blizzard, Jr.	Mr. Alvin Edward	McAdams, Joseph	2823		155124	2
Bollich	James Joseph	Boudreaux (Boudrot), Augustin	2847		155729	2
Breaux	Leonard John	Breaux, Pierre Firmin	2845		155549	2
Broussard, USA	Capt. John Nelson	Broussard, John Batiste	2798		153987	2
Burk	Edmund McElhenry P.	Haynes, James	3028		161008	2
Burke	Joseph Martland	Haynes, James	2880		158124	2
Calhoun, Sr., MD	Dr. Andrew D.	Read, I George	3018		160483	2
Carlos	Prince Felipe Bourbon Y.	Carlos III, King of Spain	2810		154594	2
Childs	Scott David	Richardson, Hardy	3038		161578	2
Clark, III	Charles Edward	Baker, Leonard	2612	S	145683	1
Clark, III	Charles Cleveland	Weed, Gilbert	2802		102306	2
Cobb, Ret.	Brig. Gen. James B.	Stone, Ezekiel	2832		155223	2
Cole	Dean Anderson	Barton, Benjamin	3030		161010	2
Cole,	James Laurence	Barton, Benjamin	3031		161011	2
Collier, Jr.	Henry Grady	Hoover, Mathias	1882	S	112316	1
Collier, Jr.	Henry Grady	Massey, John	1882	S	112316	1

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Collier, Jr.	Henry Grady	Morrow, Rachel Reed	1882	S	112316	1
Craig	Ryan Bradbury	Craig, David	2855		156189	2
Craig, Jr.	Robert Bradbury	Craig, David	2854		156188	2
Crawford	John Harrison	Warren, Ephraim	2877		157835	2
Cromwell	Tyson Alan	Wood, Archibald	2843		155547	2
Cromwell	Timothy Adam	Wood, Archibald	2844		155548	2
De Paul	Robert Keith	Barroso, Thomas Villanueva Y.	2793		153796	2
De Paul	John Michael	Barroso, Thomas Villanueva Y.	2794		153797	2
Decuir	Randy Paul	Bordelon, Antoine	2811		154606	2
Dent, Jr.	William Eugene	Cassidy (Cassady), William	2312	S	132978	1
Dent, Jr.	William Eugene	Dees, Benjamin	2312	S	132978	1
Dent, Jr.	William Eugene	Dillon, Richard	2312	S	132978	1
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Dent, Jr.	William Eugene	Norrell, James	2312	S	132978	1
Dent, Jr.	William Eugene	Norrell, Mary Spraggins	2312	S	132978	1
Dent, Jr.	William Eugene	Whittington, Cornelius	2312	S	132978	1
Dilks	John David	Burt, John	2580	S	144161	1
Domingue	Malcolm Joseph	Dominguez, Antonio	2774		153069	2
Donald	David Seth	Sevier, John	2841		155545	2
Doran, Jr.	William Joseph	Rodrigue, Jean Baptiste	2886		158651	2
Downs	James T.	Beeson (Beason), Edward	3025		160765	2

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Draper	Lewis Clarence	Draper, Jonathan	2889		158817	2
Dugas	Kenneth Joseph	Dugas (Dugat), Jean	2783		153489	2
Dunbar	Prescott Nelson	Prescott, Aaron	2886		156615	2
Durand, Jr.	Clifford Simon	DeBlanc, Louis Charles	2867		156681	2
Elliot	William Edgar	Petty, Rodham (Roadham)	2799		153988	2
Elliot	Beau Arthur	Petty Rodham (Roadham)	2800		153989	2
Ellison	Guy Cornwell	Dowd, Jr. Richard	2788		153719	2
Ellison	Gregory William	Dowd, Jr. Richard	2789		153720	2
Ferguson	William Henry	Jordan, James	2775		153098	2
Fontenot	Belvin L.	Fontenot, Phillip (Philippe)	2896		159293	2
Fresh	Capt. Daniel Pate	Delery, Francois	2892		158940	2
Fridley	Howard Charles	Bonin, Jean Louis	2846		155550	2
Galloway, Jr.	Jackson Rountree	Converse, Capt. Amasa	2898		159329	2
Galloway, Sr.	Jackson Rountree	Converse, Capt. Amasa	2008	S	120540	1
Gamble, Jr.	Gregory Francis	Wharton-Collins, Thomas	2897		159328	2
Gast	Timothy Gale	Gale, Daniel	2850		155922	2
Gaudin	Hon. Homer Charles	Mollere, Joseph	2808		154458	2
Gaudin	Fleix August	Mollere, Joseph	2852		156034	2
Gaudin	Pierre Francis	Mollere, Joseph	2853		156035	2
Gilbert, Jr.	James Martin	Porcher, Samuel	2387	S	137129	1
Gloger	Thomas Max	Bergeron, Pierre	2809		154459	2

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Grant	Frederick William	Layssard, Etienne Marafret	2889		155148	2
Grevembrg	Col. (Rtd.)Francis Carroll	Bienvenu, 2nd LT, Jean Baptiste	2152	S	126102	1
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Grevembrg	Col. (Rtd.)Francis Carroll	DuFossat, Guido Soniat	2152	S	126102	1
Guidry	George Elson	Broussard, John Baptiste	2851		155923	2
Gunsaulus	Robert King	Buell, Joseph	2676	S	148785	1
Gunsaulus	Robert King	Gunsaulus, Richard	2676	S	148785	1
Hardy, Jr.	Florent	Brousard, Pierre	3022		160707	2
Henry, Jr.	Stephen Garrett	Erwin, Joseph	2815		154642	2
Hill	Charles Walter	Whitney, Calt Samuel	2623	S	146499	1
Hill, Jr., MD	Dr. Ralph Kelly	Pearce, Thomas	2782		153461	2
Himel	Curtis Grainger	Maddox, Notley	2848		155854	2
Hoover	John Russell	Harding, John	2523	S	142335	1
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Hoover	John Russell	Manley, Sr., John	2523	S	142335	1

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Hoover	John Russell	Searle, Constant	2523	S	142335	1
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Howell	Todd Patrick	Bordelon, Antoine	2849		155855	2
Huckabay	Dr. Calvin	Huckabay, Philip	2570	S	116648	1
Hughes	Charles Evans	Hughes, William	2721	S	150276	1
Hutto	Clifton W.	Batson, Thomas	3001		159602	2
Jacks	Thomas Edward	Milam, John	2883	S	140457	2
Jacks	Thomas Edward	Bailes, Eldridge	2883	S	140457	2
Jacks	Thomas Edward	Bragg, Joseph	2883	S	140457	2
Jacks	Thomas Edward	Hunt, Thomas	2883	S	140457	2
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Jacks	Thomas Edward	Johnson, III, Jeffrey	2883	S	140457	2
Jacks	Thomas Edward	Johnson, William	2883	S	140457	2
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Jackson, Jr., MD.	John Davies	Chrisman, George	2589	S	144607	1
Jackson, Jr., MD.	John Davies	Spears, George	2589	S	144607	1
Jofrion	BG. Wilder Fields	Fields, William	2333	S	134458	1
Jones	Thomas Garrett	DeShazo, William	1690	S	102873	1
Jones	Thomas Garrett	Gum, Isaac	1690	S	102873	1
Jones	Thomas Garrett	King, George	1690	S	102873	1

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Jones	Herbert Finley	Haynes, Parmenas	2865		156597	2
Kendrick	Jonathan Edward	Jeansonne, I, Charles	2801		153990	2
Kirn, IV	Theodore Francis	Miguel, Roich Girona	2833		155224	2
Krantz	Albert Clea	Ducote, II Pierre	3011		160064	2
Lambert, II	Laurence Lucius	Lazarus, Marks	2822		155123	2
Langston	Thomas Samuel	Box, Sr. Robert	2781		153405	2
LeBlanc, Jr.	James Peter	St. Amand (Amant), Pierre Daspit	2797		153895	2
LeBlanc, Jr.	Frank Von Phul	Bird, Mounce	2817		154817	2
LeBlanc, sr.	MSgt. James Peter	St. Amand (Amant), Pierre Daspit	2777		153132	2
Lewis	John Hampden Roland	Lawson, Robert	3033		161122	2
L'Herisson, Jr.	Lawrence Edward	Vining, Maj. Thomas	2610	S	145658	1
L'Herisson, Jr.	Lawrence Edward	Wade, Col. Thomas Holden	2610	S	145658	1
Little	Patrick O'Niell	Nelson, Daniel	2827		155128	2
Little	Donald Wilson	Needham, John	2857		156317	2
Little, Jr.	William Ross	Melson, Daniel	2826		155127	2
Logan	Frederick Lyton	McEvers, James	2506	S	141746	1
Loughlin	Patrick Edward	Zerfass, Adam	3020		160571	2
Loughlin, Jr.	Patrick Edward	Zerfass, Adam	3021		160572	2
Maxwell, Jr.	Donald Power	Beaver/Bieber, Jacob	2542	S	142841	1
Maxwell, Jr.	Donald Power	Condit, Jonathan	2542	S	142841	1
Maxwell, Jr.	Donald Power	Darden, Jr., (III), George Washinton	2542	S	142841	1
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Maxwell, Jr.	Donald Power	Walser (Walcer), Casper	2542	S	142841	1
Maxwell, Jr.	Donald Power	Williams, Jotham	2542	S	142841	1
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McGrew	Samuel Jason	McNairy, Francis	2893		159091	2
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McKenzie	Matthew Ford	Ford, Capt. James	2785		153683	2
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McKenzie	Ralph Alexander	Warren, John	2899	S	159369	2
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Noble, Jr.	Joseph Edward	Pickens, Gen. Andrew	2191	S	127375	1
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Nunn	James Willis	Rosamond, Robert	3002		159603	2
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Paine, II	Arthur Summers	Commeaux, Jean Charles	3017		160423	2
Pankey, PhD	Dr. George Edward	Foster, Capt. Josiah	1670	S	102853	1
Parrott	Clark Davis	Parrott, Jacob	3035		161550	2
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Poole	Clyde Ziegler	Richardson, Hardy	3037		161577	2
Pressley	Prof. Milton M.	Key, James	3004		159819	2
Pringle	Russell Franklin	Spicer, Abel	2819		154819	2
Proctor	John Ogden	Nash, Abner	2816		154643	2
Pugh, Jr.	Francis Sprague	Pugh, Thomas	2864		156596	2
Pursell	Wallace Gates	Thompson, James	2814		154609	2
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Riley	Alfred Gregory	Potter, Thomas	2644	S	147490	1
Roberts	George Samuel	Seacot (Sracat, Seekatz), Peter	2409	S	137966	1
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Romagosa	David Jerome	Dupre', Laurent	2831		155193	2
Rossner	Dr. Charles W.	Gates, Benjamin	3016		160422	2
Roux	Jeffery Cade	Allain, Sr. Jean Francois	3009		160066	2
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Rowe, Jr.	Ernest Perry	Oney (Olney)	1442	S	93150	1
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Roy	Christopher Malin	Taylor, John	2824		155125	2
Roy	Paul Raphael	Patin, Jean Joseph	3838		155229	2
Rushing	Troy Emmet	Bulter, Sr. William Aaron	2869		152557	2
Salathe	Douglas andrew	Lawson, Robert	2818		154818	2
Salathe	Scott Matthew	Lawson, Robert	2821		154957	2
Sardisco	John Samuel	Winn, Orsomas	2519	S	142258	1
Schiro	Jasper Anthony	Janis, Joseph Miguel	3008		160067	2
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Shields	Steven Knight	Troxell, Johan (John) Peter	3042		161850	2
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Smith	Shelby Lee	Mays, Samuel	3036		161576	2
Smith, MD	Dr. Wallace H.	Wayman, Edmund	3034		161549	2
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Stewart	Robert Edward	Osborne, Enoch	2859		156421	2
Sussmann, Jr.	R. William Anthony	Car, Mac Crest (Mecres/Morris)	2842		155546	2
Taylor	Donald Scott	Glass, Vincent	2881		158204	2
Tessier	Frank Andrew	Robert, John	2878		158092	2
Thomson	Byron Craig	Bateman, John	2894		159092	2
Toups, Sr.	Elli Jacob	Champagne, Jean Baptiste	2900		159604	2
Town, III	A. Hayes	Gay, John	2620	S	146345	1
Vets, II	Tony Lee	Louis, Barthelemy Rachal Fils	2870		157045	2
Viener, III	Col. Rudolph	Voorhees, LT. Daniel Von	2884		158530	2
Wagner, MD	Dr. Frank Hall	Whitney, David	2856		156190	2
Waid	John McClelland	Robinson, William	2795		153893	2
Waid, II	John Bricker	Robinson, William	2796		153894	2
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Walker	Jacques D.	Nicholas, Robert Carter	2713	S	149933	1
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Walker	Jacques D.	Randolph, Sr., Thomas Mann	2713	S	149933	1
Walker	Jacques D.	Smith, John	2713	S	149933	1
Walker	Dantin Kean	Jefferson, Thomas	3040		161757	2
Wallis,	Billy	Hendrix, John	2324	S	133557	1
Wallis,	Billy	Porter, Alexander	2324	S	133557	1
Walsh	Dale Patrick	Gayle, Jr., Josian	2890		158724	2
Warner	Scott Dustin	Warner, Alpheus	2872		157513	2
Warren	Frank Ray	Sutton, Jacob	3027		161007	2
Warrington, II	David Marshall	Fischer, Hendrick	2820		154881	2
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Weiland	Herman Lewis	Roberts, Griffith	2491	S	141140	1
Weiland	Herman Lewis	Stevens, Peter	2491	S	141140	1
Weiland	Evan Lewis	Holbrook, Ruben	2786		153684	2
Weiland	Matthew Doc	Holbrook, Ruben	2787		153685	2
Whipple	Lewis Dale	Stentz, Philip Daniel	2214	S	128492	1
Whipple	Lewis Dale	Van Slyke, William	2214	S	128492	1
Whipple	Lewis Dale	Whipple, Zebulon	2214	S	128492	1
Wier	Joseph St. Clair	Trout, George	2621	S	146346	1
Williams, Jr.	Marcus Clyde	Williams, James Henderson	2804		154128	2
Wood	Michael J. T.	Dorsey, Nicholas	2835		155226	2

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Wood, Jr.	Patrick Joseph Quinn	Dorsey, Nicholas	2834		155225	2
Woodmansee	Thomas Edward	Woodmansee, James	2803		154059	2

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TIMELINE OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN NORTH LOUISIANA

Catholic sacramental records for churches in Caddo, Bossier, DeSoto and Ouachita parishes begin about 1856; for churches in Sabine parish, sacramental records begin about 1881.

A frequent question is where to look for Catholic records before those dates. This timeline may offer some assistance.

- 1682 Missionary priest visited Native American tribes along Mississippi River near present-day Newellton, Tensas Civil Parish
- 1699 Missionaries returned to Mississippi River area; established headquarters at Natchez, Mississippi
- 1716 French established Fort St. John the Baptist on Red River; settlement became known as Natchitoches; Catholic chapel has no permanent priest; served from Pointe Coupee or Los Adayes
- 1717 Spanish Presidio of Los Adayes founded with mission chapel of San Miguel de Linares; abandoned when war broke out between Spain and France
- 1721 Los Adayes and San Miguel re-established; Chapel of Nuestra Senora del Pilar built for soldiers and settlers; Spanish Franciscan priests from San Miguel also assisted at Natchitoches
- 1728-1734 Chapel at Natchitoches dedicated to St. Francis
- 1734-1738 St. Francis chapel at Natchitoches served by priest from New Orleans
- c. 1760 Mission of St. Louis des Appalages established near present-day Pineville; served Native Americans leaving the areas occupied by British, Spanish and French
- 1769-1774 Spanish assumed possession of the Louisiana colony; Los Adayes abandoned; Spanish Franciscan priests served at Natchitoches
- c. 1785 Ouachita Post (Fort Miro) established by Spanish near present-day Monroe; Catholic services provided by traveling priests from Pointe Coupee, New Orleans, Avoyelles
- 1795 Chapel built at Las Cabezas on Bayou Scie, near present-day Zwolle, named Nuestra Senora de Guadalupe, served from Natchitoches; priest from Natchitoches also visited Cane River, Grand Ecore, Isle Brevelle and Rapides

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- 1796 Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel established in Avoyelles Parish between present towns of Marksville and Mansura; left vacant 1804-1812 and 1832-1834; served by traveling priests from Opelousas 1812-1814 and 1818-1824
- 1806-1838 Church of St. Francis at Natchitoches charged with serving all missions; parish vacant 1806-1812, 1822-1828, 1837-1838; sometimes served from Nacogdoches, Texas, or Opelousas, Louisiana
- 1817 Chapel built at Alexandria; no resident priest until 1840
- 1829 St. Augustine Church built at Isle Brevelle; served from Natchitoches until resident priest named in 1851
- 1831 Church of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary built at Campiti; served from Natchitoches until resident priest named in 1851
- 1849 Planters at Milliken's Bend, Madison Parish, requested resident priest; chapel built and priest stayed 1849-1854; abandoned in 1862 due to Civil War
- 1851 Priest sent from New Orleans to build church at Monroe; contractor failed with construction incomplete; no funds remained; priest returned to New Orleans
- 1853-1857 Diocese of Natchitoches established with resident bishop and clergy; included six parishes (one vacant): Alexandria, Avoyelles Parish, Campiti, Cloutierville, Isle Brevelle, Natchitoches; Bayou Scie (Zwolle) area served from Natchitoches
- 1854-1855 Missionaries from southeast Texas and Natchitoches Parish began to visit Bayou Pierre in DeSoto Parish, Shreveport, and communities near present Bossier City, Athens, and Minden
- 1855 Priest sent to establish parish near Carmel on Bayou Pierre, DeSoto Parish; left to found Shreveport church; DeSoto Parish Catholic church was served sporadically from Natchitoches
- 1856 Priests sent to reside in Monroe and Shreveport
- 1858 Clergy from Nacogdoches, Texas, took over care of all Spanish missions

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