

## HCGS Monthly Speaker Bios

### HOPKINS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING

WHEN: Thursday, April 18, 2019 @ 7:00 p.m.  
WHERE: HCGS Library, 611 N. Davis St., Sulphur Springs, TX 75482  
WHAT: "The Golden Age of Radio"  
PRESENTER: Ken Hanushak

Ken Hanushek was born in Cleveland, OH, but raised in Pittsburg, PA. He has a BA in History from Grove City College, PA, a MS in Political Science from Auburn University, AL and a MS in History from Texas A&M, Commerce, TX. Ken is a retired Air Force Lt. Colonel. He was on the history faculty of Northeast Texas Community College for 16 years, on the history faculty at PJC, full time, for 7 years and still teaches part-time at PJC Sulphur Springs Tech Center. Ken is married and has 2 daughters and 3 grandchildren.

*Please join us and bring a friend!*



### Migration through the South

This presentation will look at what motivated are ancestors to come to America, how travel developed in the United States, focusing on the south, and then how we can use that information to identify the means our ancestors might have used to get to where we live today.

Jim Thornhill has been researching his family's history for 15 years four of those as a professional genealogist. Jim is chief researcher for Heroes of the Past, a company that seeks to delight clients, provide context in our ancestor's lives, and show how we all have Heroes in our Pasts.

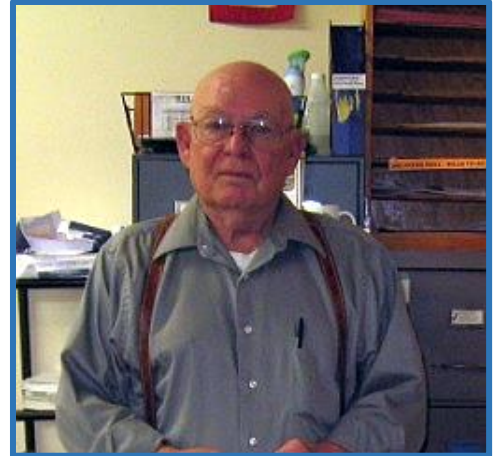
Jim is a graduate of the ProGen professional genealogy course, the Genealogy Proof course, Texas Institute of Genealogical Research, the Trans Mississippi South at IGHR in Athens Georgia, and countless webinars and local and virtual genealogy presentations. Jim is an active member in the Association for Professional Genealogists, the Texas State Genealogical Society, and the Dallas Genealogical Society, where he serves as Vice President and IT Administrator.



Jim is a native Texan whose third great grandfather arrived in Jasper County in 1850. He has been living in the Dallas area his entire life. Both his and his wife's family came to Texas in the same ways he talks about in his presentation.

# Speaking in 2019

**May 2019**



Don Easterling

Born and raised in Franklin County

Graduated from Talco High School 1954

Graduated from East Texas State University 1958

Retired from teaching in 2000 from Rivercrest school system

Live on family farm in north Franklin Co.

Member and volunteer of the Franklin Co. Genealogical Society

Member of the Hopkins Co. Genealogical Society

Life member of NRA

Written several research books for the Franklin Co. Genealogical Society  
4<sup>th</sup> generation Texan

**Topic:**

The Early Settlements of the Caribbean Area and Southern U.S.

The program will discuss the conditions leading up to the discovery and settlement of the Caribbean islands and southern United States and ramifications created



## LYNN TITUS BIOGRAPHY

I was born on July 20, 1947 in Texarkana, Arkansas to Ollie P. Titus and Lessie (Jackson) Titus. My parents were natives to the Savannah Community in Red River County, Texas. It is the same area the Titus pioneers settled during the latter 1830's while Texas was a Republic.

I grew up in New Boston, Texas graduating from New Boston High School in 1965. After a short stay at Texarkana Junior College I joined the United States Army and was sent to Ft. Polk, Louisiana for my basic training in April of 1967. I served in Vietnam from September, 1968 until November, 1969. I was assigned to the 8th Combat Engineer Battalion of the 1st Air Cavalry Division.

After my release from the armed forces, I moved to the DFW area for work. I meet Rosemary Vincell during August of 1972. We were married on February 17, 1973, We just recently celebrated our 46th wedding anniversary. We have two children and two grandchildren. I was a purchasing director by trade and Rosemary retired from AAFES (Army-Air Force Exchange Service) with 35+ years of service.

We are enjoying our retirement today at our home in Grand Prairie, Texas. We are members of Matthew Road Baptist church in Grand Prairie. I am a member of the Ft Worth Chapter of the Sons of the Republic of Texas along with a few genealogical societies. I take great pleasure to represent my 3rd great-grandfather James Titus tonight. Thank you for having me.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Lynn Titus". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

# Previous Speakers



## HOPKINS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING

WHEN: Thursday, November 15, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.  
WHERE: HCGS Library, 611 N. Davis St., Sulphur Springs, TX 75482  
WHAT: Indians in Hopkins County  
PRESENTER: Betsy Mills – “Organizing Your Research”

Betsy Mills has been part of the TXGenWeb Project and state coordinator for ARGenWeb since 1996. She is currently president of the Lamar County Genealogical Society, treasurer for the Texas State Genealogical Society, and a member of the Lamar County Historical Commission, heading up the “Cemeteries Committee”. She maintains the Lamar County Death and Cemetery Records Online Database that currently contains over 130,000 records.

Betsy will share ideas about color coding your research and you will learn some new things to try to help get rid of some of those stacks of paper.

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## HOPKINS COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING

WHEN: Thursday, October 18, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.  
WHERE: HCGS Library, 611 N. Davis St., Sulphur Springs, TX 75482  
WHAT: Indians in Hopkins County  
PRESENTER: Local Archaeology-lover Lee Green



Local archaeology-lover Lee Green owns an impressive collection of Caddo Indian artifacts unearthed in Hopkins County, especially from the well-watered eastern side of the county near Pine Forest. He will address us about this collection.

