



# ***Hopkins County Genealogical Society***

## ***Summer Seminar***

### ***June 21, 2025***

**Our Speaker: Patti Huff Williams**

**Place: HCGS Library, 611 N. Davis St., Sulphur Springs, Texas**

*Patti Huff Williams served on the board of the Dallas Genealogical Society as Vice President, Director of Marketing, Director of Education and Volunteer coordinator from 2016 to 2024 and holds her membership there. Patti was the 2019 recipient of the Dallas Genealogical Society's "Volunteer of the Year" Award.*

*She is also a member of the Association of Professional Genealogists, National Genealogical Society, International Society of Genetic Genealogy, Genealogical Speakers Guild, Texas State Genealogical Society, and counties in Texas: Bosque, Navarro, Hill, Johnson, and Central Texas Genealogical Society in Waco.*

*She annually attends the largest genealogy conference RootsTech in Salt Lake City, UT, and the Texas State Genealogical Society (TxSGS) conference. She has been a selected speaker for TxSGS and written articles for their STIRPES Journal.*

*In the summer of 2023, Patti completed 40 hours of intermediate and advanced DNA intensive training from the Texas Institute of Genealogical Research with the top trained genetic genealogists in our nation.*

*Patti took the "Essential Speaker Skills" program by Family History Academy in 2022 and had a refresher in 2023. She also completed DNA Guide 5-week "The Academy DNA Skills Workshop" by Diahann Southard in February 2021.*

*In December 2020, Patti completed Boston University's Genealogy Studies Program "Certificate in Genealogical Research" to further her expertise in genealogy.*

*Patti is a popular conference speaker. She offers Research and DNA analysis for clients to create a family history book with DancestorsGenealogy.com and has her own clients.*

*She formerly worked for motivational speaker and author Zig Ziglar as a sales representative, seminar facilitator, and speaker for ten years. She worked full-time as a marketing coordinator in Dallas for ten years until March 2018. Patti taught women's conferences and held leadership positions in her church for 21 years.*

*Patti and her husband Jeff make their home in China Spring, Texas. They have six grown children, and two sons-in-law.*

#### **Seminar Topics**

- ◆ **1st Session: "The Beatitudes of a Family Genealogist" - Organize and Preserve Family History, Top 100 Genealogy Websites, Be a Storyteller, Be Willing, Be Persistent, Be Resourceful and more.**
- ◆ **2nd Session: "Ancestry ThruLines" - Maximize your Ancestor DNA Results – A "How to."**
- ◆ **3rd Session: "Locating Ancestors Through Scholastic Records" (NEW) - Learn what type of records, resources, and research methods are available, and where to find them.**
- ◆ **4th Session: "Hidden Treasures - 8 generations" – Find ancestors in known & unusual places.**