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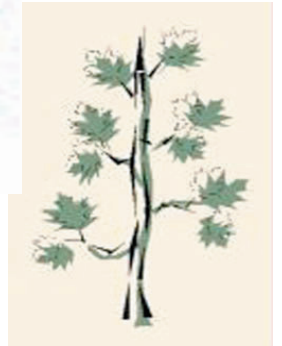


## REAL EPITAPHS

*Goldie Chloe Knight*  
*Dill City, OK*  
*1897 - 1977*

**“I done the best  
I could  
At the time  
I done it.”**

Google  
*Your Family*



## “Google Your Family Tree” Spring Seminar - Sat. April 2nd

Learn how to unlock the hidden power of Google at the OGS Spring Seminar on Saturday, April 2, 2011 at the Oklahoma History Center.

Daniel M. Lynch wrote the book on this subject and will present the program.

Registration begins at 9:30 am for the morning session from 9:45 to 12:15. Lunch will be available and the afternoon session from 1:30 to 4 pm. The museum will be open until 5 pm.

Cost of the seminar not including lunch for early bird registration before March 27 is \$45. Members of OGS get a \$10 discount. Download the registration form at [www.okgensoc.org](http://www.okgensoc.org) (or use the form in your quarterly), complete and mail with your check to OGS, Box 12986, OKC 73157-2986.

What will you learn? How about finding dozens of highly relevant results vs millions of unrelated listings (most of us already know how to do the second thing.)

Learn to quickly read and interpret the information-packed search results pages.

Discover the usefulness of Google Books, New Archive, Language Tools & more.



**O**GS Family Story-Writing Contest 2011 deadline has been extended to 30 April. Winners will be presented at the OGS Skill Building seminar in August 2011. See our website for more info.

Save important queries so Google can search every night while you sleep.

For more info, contact Billie Fogarty, Seminar chair, 405-203-1274.

Regular Oklahoma Genealogy Society meetings begin at 6:00 on the first Monday each month at the Oklahoma History Center, 2401 N. Laird Ave, Oklahoma City. Help is available before the meeting for those with genealogical questions, & those needing information on membership or First Families. The research library is open until 7:45 pm on meeting nights.

The meeting is free to OGS members, with a \$3 donation suggested from nonmembers. Dues are \$20 per calendar year for one person, only \$5 more for a family membership.

**Go to [www.okgensoc.org](http://www.okgensoc.org)!**

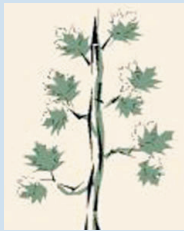
Did you know there are many early Oklahoma records online and available for you to research at our [www.okgensoc.org](http://www.okgensoc.org) website? For instance:

- Bible Records
- Cemetery Transcriptions
- 1890 Census of OK-Indian Territory
- Church Records
- City Directories
- Funeral Records
- Marriages
- Military Records
- Newspaper Abstracts
- Obituaries
- Sheriffs & Marshals
- Tax Rolls & Vital Records
- and more. Check it out!

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**MISSING PERSONS**

*It is easy to place a Query in the Oklahoma Genealogical Society Quarterly.*

*OGS members can post queries free by emailing V.Jimenez@att.net with the who, where, when, and what you are seeking about your ancestors.*

*Non-members need to send two dollars with their queries. Don't forget to include your contact info.*

We're on the Web!

See us at:

<http://www.okgensoc.org/>  
(with map to meeting place)

The OGS Newsletter is published and distributed in January, March, May, July, September, and November by email. Subscribe at carolynleonard@me.com. Hard copies are available at meetings and at the OHC Library.

***"The Oral History Collection at OHS"***  
**6 pm, Monday, 7 Mar 2011**  
**Dr. Mary Jane Warde**



"I'm Goin' to Tell You Something," historian Dr. Mary Jane Warde of Stillwater says.

Do you want first-hand information on how the Cherokee preserved food for the winter? What slave life was like before the Civil War? How western Oklahoma Territory housewives kept house in a half-dugout? How teenaged Marines survived battle in the Pacific?

The Indian-Pioneer Papers oral history collection spans from 1861 to

1936. It includes typescripts of interviews conducted during the 1930s by government workers with thousands of Oklahomans.

"What many people do not know is that there are two sets bound differently," Dr. Warde said. "I will describe some of the OHS oral history collections and how to find the information you need."

With 80,000 entries, the index to this collection may be accessed via personal name, place name, or subject. Since 1938, the staff has collected and preserved first-person accounts of life, events, and experiences of white, black, and Indian Oklahomans.

Dr. Mary Jane Warde, Indian Historian and Archivist in the OHS Research Division (1998-2006), collected oral histories for these and other projects.



***"Collecting your  
Medical Heritage"***  
**Monday,  
4 Apr 2011**  
**Nona Thompson**

In this presentation, Mrs. Thompson will teach us how to create a medical pedigree chart by recording the names of your ancestors along with the illnesses from which they died, the dates of the onset of the illnesses, and the death dates.

Talk to your living relatives about what they remember about the causes of death for specific ancestors. Verify the information they give you and find additional information for your medical pedigree by gathering death certificates.

Copies of death certificates can usually be obtained through the public records office in the area where the death occurred. Other records will build a medical pedigree such as insurance documents and hospital records.

***"Confederate Service Records  
Digitization"***  
**Monday, 2 May 2011**  
**Jan Davis**

Jan Davis, Administrative Archivist for the Oklahoma Department of Libraries, will present info on a project to digitize records related to pensions for Oklahoma's Confederate veterans.

This unique collection includes a variety of documents, including handwritten correspondence and forms, proofs of service affidavits, and other valuable genealogy records.

**COMING ATTRACTIONS!**

**Clip 'n' Save!**



**# - OGS MEETING, Free for OGS members, \$3 donation suggested for guests**  
*Check our webpage [www.okgensoc.org](http://www.okgensoc.org/) for more info.*  
*Meetings begin promptly at 6:00 pm and building closes by 8:00 pm*

- # Mon Mar 7 ..... Dr. Mary Jane Warde .... The Oral History Collection**
- Mon Mar 28.....OGS Board meeting .....4509 N. Classen
- \$ Sat Apr 2 ..... Daniel M. Lynch ..... Google Your Family Tree**
- # Mon Apr 4 ..... Nona Thompson ..... Your Medical Heritage**
- Mon Apr 25 .....OGS Board meeting .....4509 N. Classen
- # Mon May 2 ..... Jan Davis ..... Confederate Service Records**
- Mon May 23 .....OGS Board meeting .....4509 N. Classen
- # Mon June 6 ..... Jacque Graham ..... A Female Doctor in I. T.**
- Mon June 27 .....OGS Board meeting .....4509 N. Classen
- # Mon July 11 ..... Denise Slattery ..... Where to find Medical Records**