

# TSGS SPEAKER'S BUREAU DIRECTORY

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**Bio:** Bernard is a genealogist and lecturer based in the Dallas/Fort Worth metroplex. He began researching his family over 25 years ago and enjoys sharing lessons learned from those experiences, including his mistakes. Although he knew only one grandparent (his maternal grandfather) he has successfully identified all of his great-great grandparents and several triple-great grandparents. He is past president and current parliamentarian and social media chair of the *Mid-Cities Genealogical Society*, and is a member of the *National Genealogical Society*, the *Federation of Genealogical Societies* and the *Texas State Genealogical Society*.

Bernard recently retired from the National Weather Service Southern Region Headquarters where he was the Acting Chief of the Science & Technology Services Division. He is certified as a consulting meteorologist by the American Meteorological Society and holds a teaching certificate from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. He has taught at the Universities of Texas, Oklahoma and St. Thomas (Houston).

Bernard earned a B.S. in physics/German from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, and an M.S. and Ph.D. in meteorology from the University of Hawaii.

### **Program Topics:**

- Techniques and Strategies for More Effective Online Searching
- Applying Family Naming Practices to Your Genealogical Research
- Mining the Gems in a Civil War Pension File
- Finding German Ancestors: Their Information Is Not All on the Internet
- Working with an Online Family Tree
- Tracking Urban Ancestors

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