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A newsletter to inform members of Society Activities and Library Acquisitions

November-December 2017 *Newsletter*

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We're taking time off for the holidays. The next *Newsletter* will be published in January 2018.

SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

President's Message

The highlight of our October activities was the Annual SAGHS Fall Genealogy Seminar, presented this year by Cari A. Taplin, CG. Cari made several excellent presentations on "Advanced Genealogy Research Techniques," giving attendees many examples of approaches to aid in their research. Many thanks to our previous 1st Vice President Dorothy Perez, to our current 1st Vice President Annette Graham, to the many volunteers who helped with the arrangements, and to those donating door prizes—the efforts of all made this event a success. The happy winner of the quilt raffle is Ginny Pulliam, one of the quilting group and a dedicated Library volunteer. The income from the raffle was over $1,400.00 that will go to general support of all our programs. Thanks to all who bought tickets, and a special thanks to the quilting group for all their effort and materials. Our appreciation also goes to Cross Roads Church, formerly John Calvin Presbyterian Church, for allowing us to use their facilities.

Director at Large, Bill Myers, and a small committee working on development of leadership for the Society, will soon be sending a survey in order to get input from the membership. Please take a few minutes to respond to the survey.

Also, we will soon be sending members a letter regarding our Annual Fund Drive. We will be adding a feature to our website to facilitate donating online for those choosing to do so.

Your response to both of these items is needed and will be appreciated.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy holiday season.

James H. Garrett

November December January Calendar



Wednesday, 8 Nov.—Workshop: Family Tree Maker, Moderator: Scott Atkinson, 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex.

Saturday, 11 Nov.—Workshop: RootsMagic, Moderator: Anthony Barbieri, 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex.

Sunday, 12 Nov.—"The Wonderfulness of Deeds" and **"Using HistoryGeo.com,"** 2:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex.

Tuesday, 14 Nov.—SAGHS Board, 10:00 A.M., SAGHS Annex

Tuesday, 28 Nov.—DNA Consult with Kurt Kneeland. Pre-registration required.

Sunday, 10 Dec.— "DNA," 2:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex

Tuesday, 12 Dec.—SAGHS Board, 1:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex

Wednesday, 13 Dec.—Workshop: Family Tree Maker, Moderator: Scott Atkinson, **CANCELED this month.**

Tuesday, 26 Dec.—DNA Consult with Kurt Kneeland. Pre-registration required.

Tuesday, 9 Jan.—SAGHS Board, 10:00 A.M., SAGHS Annex

Wednesday, 10 Jan.—Workshop: Family Tree Maker, Moderator: Scott Atkinson, 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex.

Sunday, 14 Jan.— "Military Records on Fold3 and Ancestry.com," 2:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex

Saturday, 20 Jan. — General Membership Meeting, 10:00 A.M., SAGHS Annex.

Tuesday, 23 Jan.—DNA Consult with Kurt Kneeland. Pre-registration required.

Sunday Afternoon Classes

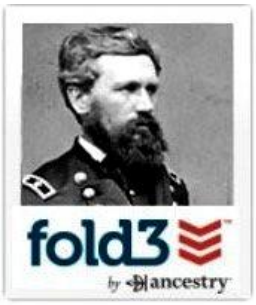
CLASS SCHEDULE: Please pre-register by calling the library, emailing or registering in person. We ask members for a $5.00 donation and non-members for a $10.00 donation. Donations support the library operations and society programs. Class time is 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. or as posted, at the SAGHS Library Annex, 911 Melissa, San Antonio.

Sunday, 12 November— "The Wonderfulness of Deeds" and "Using HistoryGeo.com," 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. **Instructors:** Julia George and Cindy Kennedy. Today's program will have two presentations that complement each other:

- Julia will present a beginner to intermediate level course to provide an overview of the value of deeds with how to locate and access them.
- Cindy will then demonstrate the use of HistoryGeo.com, a subscription website accessible at the SAGHS Library.

USING DNA IN FAMILY RESEARCH

Sunday, 10 December— "DNA," 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. **Instructor: Kurt Kneeland**. Today's program will be an introduction to review the different aspects of DNA research in genealogy.



Sunday, 14 January— "Military Records on Fold3 and Ancestry.com," 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. **Instructor: Steve Mabie**. Steve will discuss the various types of military records available on the popular websites.

Please call the library 342-5242 to reserve a space for all classes and workshops!

The *Events* schedule is posted on the SAGHS website: http://www.txsaghs.org/eventListings.php?nm=38

Next Meeting on 20 January 2018

Meetings of the general membership are not planned for November or December. We'll see you at the next meeting on 20 January 2018, 10:00 A.M. in the SAGHS Library Annex.

TOPIC: World Heritage and making genealogical ties (cultural connections) through food.

SPEAKER: Kathleen DesOrmeaux, World Heritage Ambassador

Holiday Hours at the Library



Wednesday, 22 Nov. Close at 3:00 P.M.

Sunday, 24 Dec. Closed

Monday, 25 Dec. Closed

Sunday 31 Dec. Close at 3:00 P.M.

Monday, 1 Jan. Closed

SAGHS Quilt Group Creating in Honor of San Antonio Tricentennial



The quilt mock-up showing squares with iconic San Antonio scenes, past and present.

Work has already begun on the handmade 2018 quilt which will celebrate 300 years of San Antonio experience. The quilt will use color photos of landmarks printed on cloth for the quilt squares. The missions, military sites, and parks are just some of the selected subjects. Like so many SAGHS projects, many hours of labor will go into this project, not just on Tuesdays. The group: Helen Parker, Barbara Dehle, Annie Hunt, Cathy Bohnak, Barbara Johns, Virginia Pulliam, and Dusty Sherrill promise to create another memorable quilt.



Diane Adams, Helen Parker, and Cathy Bohnak admire the quilt mock-up during a recent layout at the Annex.

Text and photos courtesy of Barbara Johns



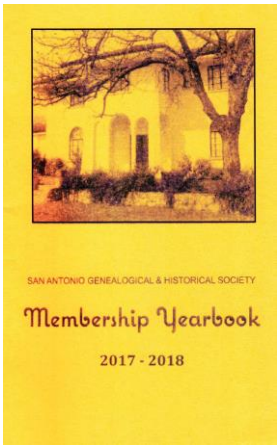
RootsMagic Workshop

Saturday,
11 November,
10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.
SAGHS Annex

Moderator: Anthony Barbieri. This workshop is planned to orient beginners to the program as well as answer questions that others may have. Please bring your laptop with the RootsMagic program for a better learning experience, however laptops are not required. For questions, contact Anthony Barbieri at

barbieri.scotti@gmx.us.

Please pre-register by calling SAGHS Library at (210) 342-5242 or emailing Education@txsaghs.org. This is a free offering for SAGHS members but we ask a $5.00 donation from non-members.



The *SAGHS Membership Directory and Handbook, 2017-2018* has just been published, and is available to be picked up by members at the Library, one copy per membership, please. An additional copy is available for $2.00 each. Members may request that the *Directory* be mailed to them by sending $1.00 to cover the cost of postage. The directories were current at the time of printing. For updates, please check the membership list, available at the **Members Only** area of the SAGHS website.

LOOK FOR YOUR ANNUAL FUND LETTER

Membership dues and program receipts, although a major source of support for our Society, do not cover all the needed maintenance, repair, and improvements to our aging library building. We rely on our Annual Fund for ~25% of our operating annual budget. Please consider matching or increasing your gift from last year. You can donate in person at the library, mail your check to:

911 Melissa Dr., San Antonio, TX 78213 or

Donate online at

https://txsaghs.org/donation.php?dc=7

MEMORIALS

Hazel Nelson Spillman

Donations to Memorials help purchase books and databases for our library. You may submit memorial donations in person or by mail to the library.

NEW MEMBERS

Steve Bonilla Daniel George
Ingrid McGinty
Crystal O'Neal Sperber

Newly Arrived Books

Purchase from Memorial Funds

Perry Volunteers in the Mexican War, Perry County, Alabama, First Regiment of Alabama Volunteers 1846-1847 LeBaron, J. Hugh AL perr4

Frontier Indiana Cayton, Andrew R. L. IN 00004 (45)

Early Indiana Trails and Surveys Wilson, George R. IN 00006 (44)

Enumeration of Educable Children in Pontotoc County, Mississippi 1894 Neet, Hazel Boss MS pont2

Voices from the Past; 104th Infantry Regiment, USCT Colored Civil War Soldiers from South Carolina Gourdin, J. Raymond SC 00004 (44)

Wenches, Wives & Widows; Sixteen Women of Early Virginia McKey, JoAnn Riley VA 00004 (72)

Gift of Carolyn Wilcoxen

Yankee in German-America, A; Texas Hill Country Flach, Vera TX 00004 (51)

Gift of Anonymous

Soldiers' Guide to San Antonio, Winter Issue December, 1917 San Antonio Publishing Co. TX 00000 (25)

Sketch of History: The First Texas Regiment, Hood's Brigade A. N. Va. Todd, George T. TX 00004 (49)

Abstract of Title to Lot No. 17, Block No. 3, New City Block No. 940, San Antonio, Bexar Co., Texas Texas Title Co. TX bexa6

Refugio County, Texas Resident Roll 1913 TX refu2

Descendants of Thomas S. Denson Dwight, James Manford FH Denson

A Century of Service 1880-1980: Albright United Methodist Church 1968-1980, First Evangelical United Brethren Church 1946-1968, First Evangelical Church 1880-1946 Raby, E. Stephen TX bexa4 (111)

Gift of Starkey Family

Starkey Family Memorabilia (Spelling book, WWII Ration Books, Graduation Invitation) FH Starkey

Newly Arrived Books

New SAGHS Publication

Bexar County, Texas: Remembering WWI, A Genealogical Collection Luckett, Larry W., ed. TX bexa4 (111)

Gift of Harrell Estate by Mr. Smoot

Official Cullman Centennial Booklet 1873-1973 Cullman Centennial Committee, Lorene Scott, chmn. AL cull4

Cemeteries of East Lauderdale County Alabama Barnett, Muriel et al AL laud8

Alexander Families of Upper South Carolina Rich, Peggy Burton, Whitehurst, Marion Ard, and Alexander, Jerry L. FH Alexander

Leake Family and Connecting Lines (Families of Virginia Vol. I) Chappelear, George Warren FH Leake

Sinard - Siniard O'Kelly, Lois B. FH Sinard

Georgia Place-Names Krakow, Kenneth K. GA 00004 (44)

Carroll County and Her People Cobb, Joe GA carr4

History of Temple, Georgia [Centennial Edition], Settled in 1882, Chartered in 1883 Holder, Burell GA carr4

Sumter County Georgia Cemetery Records Harvey, Mr. & Mrs. W. D. GA sumt8

Marriage Records Marion County, Mississippi 1812 – 1860 Upton, Marie Lutera MS mari8

Genealogical and Heraldic History of the Extinct and Dormant Baronetcies of England, Ireland, and Scotland Burke, John and Burke, John Bernard RF 01004 (2)

Scottish Roots; A step-by-step guide for ancestor hunters James, Alwyn RF 02004 (32)

Marriage and Death Notices from Camden, South Carolina, Newspapers 1816-1865 Holcomb, Brent H. SC camd8

Lancaster County, South Carolina Deed Abstracts 1787-1811 Holcomb, Brent H. SC lanc6

Newberry County, South Carolina Deed Abstracts Volume II: Deed Books C, D-2, and D 1794-1800 [1765-1800] Holcomb, Brent H. SC newb6

Colonial Residents of Virginia's Eastern Shore Houston, William R. M. & Mihalyka, J. M. VA 00004 (19)







SAGHS Fall Genealogy Seminar 2017



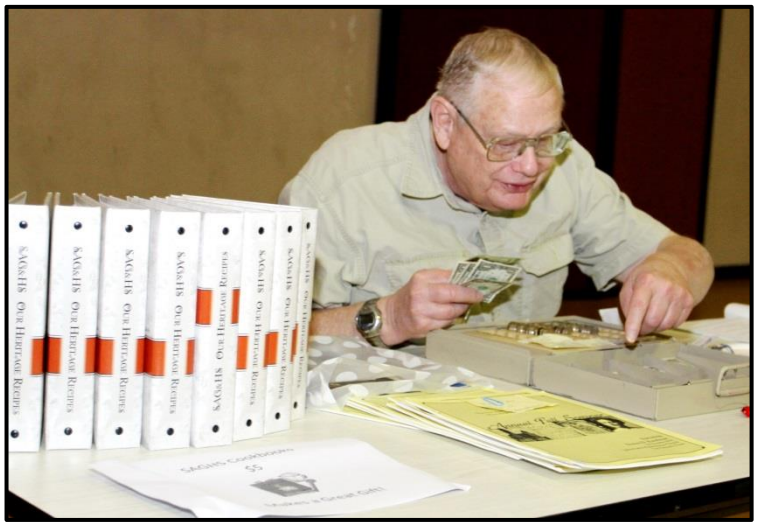




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