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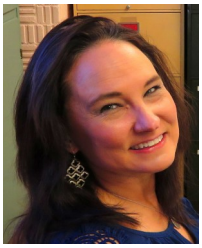
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********** PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE **********



Spring is the season for changes, resolutions, fresh flowers. Much like a new season, San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society has been undergoing a beautiful season of change and exciting events. Over the last year or so, our Campus Planning committee has been working diligently on projects designed to maintain and update our library building. In September, they presented to the membership an impressive and thoroughly researched four stage process to renovate the breezeway into a useable space, install high density shelving that is on par with many of the repositories and archives across the U.S., install an ADA compliant patron entrance ramp, and eventually install a parking surface that will improve the grounds and access to our facility. If you have visited our location recently, you will have noticed an alternate entrance into the building while the construction is underway. After a vote of approval by the membership at the September 2018 General Membership meeting, the first stage of these improvements was funded by the Annex Expansion Fund.

This past spring, SAGHS became the principal heir of the estate of Yvette Helene Dwyer, a long time member of SAGHS. With an initial distribution of $250,000 received in September, the Board approved a recommendation to pay off the remaining balance of $65,000 on the mortgage of the library building. The remaining monies would be deposited into CDs at Edward Jones & Co. to immediately start earning revenue for the society. Another distribution of $150,000 was received in December and was also deposited into CDs at Edward Jones & Co. It is the Finance and Oversight Committee's intent to provide recommendations for a fund manager and for the use of the inherited funds, once the estate is finalized. Because the majority of the estate's income is still in probate, the committee has been unable to move forward with all the recommendations they would have regarding the gift. Once we know, the committee will present their report to the Board on their ideas and suggestions to allocate the funds to the fullest advantage of the Society and to the maximum benefit of our members for generations to come.

So what does this mean for SAGHS? As of October, the society now owns outright the property at 911 Melissa Drive, paid in full, with grateful thanks to Mrs. Dwyer. We now have the potential to remain a healthy society for many years to come, with good stewardship of this gift. We will forever remain a volunteer driven society, maintained by the hard work and donations of our members. For now, we will continue the tradition of the Annual Fund Drive as an opportunity for giving. It is our hope that we will be able to add additional services, resources, and "top shelf" opportunities for our members and our community into perpetuity.

Annette Graham, President



A view of our Library from Winter, 2018.

2019 Quilt Tickets
On Sale at The Library
$1.00 ea

The quilt committee:
Helen Parker Barbara Johns
Cathy Bohnak Annie Hunt
has been working diligently on our 2019 quilt since last fall. A picture will be in the March newsletter.

********Briefs from the Board Meeting, January 15********

- **2019 is SAGHS's 60th Anniversary! Suggestions on activities to celebrate are being accepted. Call the Library, or any Board Member.**
- The Society's bylaws have been revised, by a vote of the members present at the January 2019 meeting. The revised bylaws will be included in the membership directory to be published soon, and posted on the website *(members only section, organizational documents).*
- The copy machine in the library will be replaced soon.
- A NEW beginner's (small group) class has been developed. See Events page or call the Library for details.
- The Breezeway construction continues. The walls, windows & doors are complete. The Air Conditioner and Heater is installed and working. However, the ADA access, attic access, and electrical still need to be contracted and finished. When completed, this area will house books shelves, with comfortable seating and a table. Depending upon the construction activity on a day-to-day basis, the breezeway doors may be open during regular library hours, and Volunteer Tuesdays. The Alternate entrance will also be open during regular library hours.
- The High Density Shelving for the Texas Room has been ordered. We await the production and installation of the shelves. In preparation for the installation of the shelving, the carpeting needs to be replaced with vinyl tile. We are also looking to replace the lighting and climate control for the Texas Room.
- Kurt Kneeland purchased the Dwyer Condo at $5,000 over our asking price. Thanks Kurt. Proceeds will be added to our funds, when received from the bank.
- A solution for the elimination of the potholes (which accumulate water) in our driveway is being sought, and needs to be in keeping with city ordinances.
- An alternate location is being sought for our Founders' Day Luncheon. (The Oak Hills room we usually use is no longer available to us). Suggestions welcome.
- The new location for our Fall Seminar is: Mt. Calvary Lutheran Church.

For more details on these topics, please refer to the meeting minutes, located in the members' only section of the website, and section member resources. *—-B. Holmes*

60th Anniversary of SAGHS



SAGHS 2019 FIESTA MEDAL has arrived!

SAGHS now has our very own Fiesta Medal. The medal is on sale at our Library for $10. See the Librarian.

FIESTA IS APRIL 18—28

CURRENT VOTING BOARD MEMBERS

PRESIDENT: Annette Graham 3rd VP: Bill Myers

1st VP: Barbara McPherson TREASURER: Steve Mabie

2nd VP: Sue Seiler SECRETARY: Barbara Holmes

DIRECTORS: Charles Brussells, Kurt Kneeland, David Ringer

LIBRARIAN (appointed by President): Ginny Pulliam

ELECTIONS IN JUNE

The Election Committee is looking for nominations for President, 1st VP, 2nd VP, 3rd VP, Treasurer, and Secretary.
(Nominees need to agree to the nomination.)
Contact Mary Souter, Helen Parker, Ann Hunt or Ron Vogt for more information.

UPCOMING LOCAL SEMINARS AND NGS ANNUAL CONFERENCE:
Saturday, February 23 2019: Annual Hill Country Family History Seminar with Cari Taplin. http://www.gskctx.org.
Saturday, March 16, 2019: Williamson County Genealogical Society Annual Seminar with Judy Russell, The Legal Genealogist. https://williamsontxgenealogy.org
May 8-11,2019: National Genealogical Society 2019 Family History Conference, St Charles, MO.
http://www.conference.ngsgenealogy.org.

DID YOU KNOW?

Georgia's earliest newspapers are now online and searchable - *Gainesville Times*
https://www.gainesvilletimes.com/l

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Kitty Hawkins
Kathleen Pierce
Necka Scarborough-Jenkins
Ronald Vogt
Dennis Anderson
Dallas Public Library

WELCOME NEW CHAPLIN

Welcome to Ms. Neka Scarbourough-Jenkins who has volunteered to serve as our Chaplin.

MEMBER OPPORTUNITY TO HELP CHOOSE NEW ACQUISITIONS

New York Genealogical and Biographical Society provides a source of New York books which can be found at https://kinshipny.com/
When you have time please check their books for New York counties; make a wish list that can be recommended to the Book Committee for future orders. Check the SAGHS Library Catalog (https://txsaghs.org/libraryRecords.php) before recommending books to order. Your assistance will add to the library collection and provide New York books that will help in your research. Send suggestions to Cindy Kennedy (shebbear@sbcglobal.net).

FOR ALL Librarians

Librarian News
Coming soon! Renovation of the Texas Room installing high density mobile shelving.
Librarian Information Meetings are scheduled as follows. Attend either meeting at your convenience. Contact Ginny Pulliam for questions.
Tuesday, February 19, 2019 at 10 am or Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 2 pm

EDITOR'S DESK
From Pat Merk

This month's newsletter has been simplified to let members see options for doing the newsletter in easier formats than have been done recently. This month has been done in Microsoft Publisher. Next month I will do it in Microsoft Word so that you can see how that looks. I am running for Treasurer on the SAGHS Board in the upcoming election. In the event that I am elected, I will give up the newsletter editor position as I do not have time to do both. I do most of the newsletter at home so I can work on it any time of day (or night as I am a night owl). Please consider taking over editing the newsletter's 10 issues per year. Contact me for more information.

Larry Luckett will be teaching an 8 week series of one hour classes titled Researching for Relatives: A Beginners Guide to Genealogy at the Alamo Heights United Methodist Church. Classes will be held on Saturdays from 10 to 11 beginning on February 23. Contact Larry for registration costs and additional information at luckett67@hotmail.com.
Not an SAGHS sponsored class. Discount to SAGHS members.



Wreaths across America placed this wreath at the grave of Yvette Dwyer in December as the Society honored her with a donation.
—Barbara McPherson

IN MEMORIUM

Betty Young Troutman (Former Member)

In Memorium

(All acknowledged to address provided)

Honorarium donations for birthdays, weddings, new grandchildren and great-grandchildren and other memorable family events are a great way to mark these occasions.



CALENDAR





Please pre-register for classes and Workshops by calling SAGHS at 210-342-522 or by emailing Education@txsaghs.org. Please register as early as possible to indicate interest. All classes held in the Library Annex unless otherwise stated.

Saturday, February 2 Beginner Genealogy Workshop 9am to 1 pm Instructor: Barbara Johns
This is the first session of the 2 day workshop which continues on Feb 9.. Only for those who who prepaid. A repeated program is offered 9am - 1pm April 6th and 13th. Contact the SAGHS Library at 1-210-342-5242 for more information.

Wednesday, February 6 Family Tree/Wikipedia Workshop 10am to 12 Moderator: Scott Atkinson
This regular monthly Workshop will now include issues with Wikitree.com, as well as FTM. Laptops are encouraged but not required to attend. Contact Scott Atkinson for questions at s.atkinson@ieee.org. Please pre-register by calling SAGHS at 210-342-5242 or emailing Education@txsaghs.org.

Saturday, February 9 Beginner Genealogy Workshop 9am to 1 pm Instructor: Barbara Johns
This is the second session of the 2 day workshop which started on Feb 2. Only for those who attended on Feb 2.

Sunday, February 10 Brick Walls Overview 2pm to 4pm Instructor: Nancy Brennan
This class will include one hour of overview and strategies on Brick Walls. The second hour will be audience members asking about the brick walls they think they have. Plan to describe your research problem, why you think it is a brick wall and what steps you may have already taken to find a solution.
Contribution: $5 members; $10 non-members Class will be cancelled if less than 10 pre-registered

Tuesday, February 12 Monthly Board Meeting 10am All members welcome to attend. There is an opportunity to ask questions at the end of the meeting.

Saturday, February 16 SAGHS General Membership MTG 10am to 12
Program: Indian Captives by Peggy Durack
Business Meeting: Presentation of slate for 2019-2020 Elections. New Board Member nominations will be presented. Nominations from the floor will be accepted if nominee agrees to be nominated.

Saturday, February 23 Google Earth Special Interest Group 10am to 12 Moderator: Rob Lewis
An open discussion/review forum will be the format of this SIG. Bring your questions and/or what you have learned to share with other attendees or you are welcome to listen and learn.
Contribution: $5 non-member Leave contact info when register as schedule may have to be changed.

Tuesday, February 26 DNA Consultation Hour at 1, 2, 3 pm Moderator: Kurt Kneeland
DNA is another avenue added to our Genealogy sources. However, we are all still learning about it. This program is designed for individuals with question(s) on how to interpret or to use one's DNA results. These one hour sessions are offered to members on the 4th Tuesday of the month by reservation. The one hour sessions are 1-2pm, 2-3pm and 3-4pm. Contribution: $10 members.

See our website (www.txsaghs.org) for all 2019 Events as well as more detail on these.

March Member Meeting: Saturday, March 16

SAVE THE DATE: Spring Grounds Work Day will be Saturday Morning, March 23.



NEW BOOKS IN OUR LIBRARY



Donor	Title	Author	Call Number
Bonnie Kuykendall	*Images of America: Helotes*	Massey, Cynthia Leal	TX bexa4 (116)
	Plantation Life in Texas	Silverthorne, Elizabeth	TX 00004 (243)
	Sagas of Old Western Travel and Transport	Hoffman, H. Wilbur	RF 21004 (121)
	Texas Almanac 2012-2013	Alvarez, Elizabeth Cruce, ed	TX 00000 (3x)
	Thorny Rose of Texas, The; An Intimate Portrait of Governor Ann Richards	Shropshire, Mike & Frank Schaefer	RF 33004 Richards
Colonia Dames Memorial	*Denizations and Naturalizations in the British Colonies in America, 1607-1775*	Bockstruck, Lloyd deWitt	RF 00001 (15)
	Coming Over; Migration and communication between England and New England in the seventeenth century	Cressy, David	RF 01001 (4)
Dorothy Hankins	*Common Wealth: Treasures from the Collections of the Library of Virginia, The*	Treadway, Sandra G. and Campbell, Edward D.C.	VA 00000 (21)
	Guide to Special Collections in the Earl Gregg Swem Library	Dominie, Kay and Margaret Cook	VA 00000 (1)
	User's Guide to the Official Records of the American Civil War, A	Aimone, Alan C. & Barbara A.	RF 14000 (3)
	Regulations for the Public Use of Records in the National Archives	National Archives	RF 00000 (152)
Estate of Helen Dwyer	*Descendants of Albert and Arent Andriessen Bradt*	Biasca, Cynthia Brotta	FH Bradt
	Gravestones of Glengarry Volume I Williamstown	Fraser, Alex W.	RF 07008 (28)
	Gravestones of Glengarry Volume II	Fraser, Alex W.	RF 07008 (28a)
	Illustrated Historical Atlas of the County of Peel, Ontario	Pope, J. H	RF 07002 (5)
	Illustrated Historical Atlas of the County of Simcoe, Ontario	Hogg, John	RF 07002 (7)
	Skulking for the King; A Loyalist Plot	Fraser, J.	RF11004 (2)
Gift	*San Antonio City Directory 1877-1878 and San Antonio City Directory 1891; San Antonio Voter Registration 1895*		TX bexa0
John S. Boggs	*Illustrated History of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Civil, Political, and Military... Volume 1, An*	Egle, William H.	PA 00004 (35)
	Illustrated History of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Civil, Political, and Military..., Volume 2, An	Egle, William H.	PA 00004 (35a)
	Irish and Anglo-Irish Landed Gentry; When Cromwell Came to Ireland: Or A Supplement to Irish Pedigrees, The	O'Hart, John	RF 03004 (22)
	Records of Indentured Servants and of Certificates for Land, Northumberland County Virginia 1650-1795	Haynie, W. Preston, comp.	VA nort4

New Books Continued:

Donor	Title	Author	Call Number
John S. Boggs continued	*Records of St. Paul's Parish, The Anglican Church Records of Baltimore City and Lower Baltimore County (Maryland) Early 1700s Through 1800, Volume 1*	Reamy, Bill & Martha	MD balt4
	Records of St. Paul's Parish, The Protestant Episcopal Church Records of Baltimore City and Lower Baltimore	Reamy, Bill and Martha	MD balt4
	Tracing Your Irish Family History on the Internet; A Guide for Family Historians	Paton, Chris	RF 03000 (39)
June Pritchard	*Battle of St. Louis, The Attack on Cahokia, and The American Revolution in the West, The*	Kling, Stephen, ed., et al	RF 10004 (12)
	Danforth Genealogy: Nicholas Danforth, of Framlingham, England, and Cambridge, N. E. (1589-1721) and William Danforth, of Newbury, Mass, (1640-1721) and their Descendants	May, John Joseph	FH Danforth
	History of Middlesex County, Massachusetts, Vol. I	Drake, Samuel Adams	MA midd4
	Huguenots in America, The; A Refugee People in New World Society	Butler, Jon	RF 06004 (14)
	Mayflower Families Through Five Generations Volume Twenty Part 1 Family of Henry Samson	Sherman, Robert Moody et al	RF 01004 v.20.1 (25)
	Register of the New Jersey Society of the Colonial Dames of America, The`		NJ 00005 (1)
	Scottish Emigration to Colonial America, 1607-1785	Dobson, David	RF 02004 (3)
Magna Carta Memorial	*Magna Carta; The Birth of Liberty*	Jones, Dan	RF 01004 (6)
Memorial Fund	*Complete Book of Emigrants - 1700 - 1750, The*	Coldham, Peter Wilson	RF 01001 (16a)
	Complete Book of Emigrants - 1751 - 1776, The	Coldham, Peter Wilson	RF 01001 (16b)
	More Emigrants in Bondage 1614-1775	Coldham, Peter Wilson	19049
	Tracing Ancestors Among the Five Civilized Tribes; Southeastern Indians Prior to Removal	Lennon, Rachal Mills	RF 23000 (4)
	Using Catholic Records (The Portable Genealogist)	Belmonte, Jeanne	RF 00000 (41)
Nancy McNamara	*Canary Islanders of San Antonio*	Pacheco, Hector Rafael, editor	TX bexa4 (42a)
Rob Lewis	*History of Franklin, Jefferson, Washington, Crawford, & Gasconade Counties, Missouri*	Southern Historical Press	MO 00004 (12)
Scott Hubbertt	*Short History of England, A; The Glorious Story of a Rowdy Nation*	Jenkins, Simon	RF 01004 (5)
War of 1812 Memorial	*British Aliens in the United States*	Scoott, Kenneth	RF 13004 (3)
	Loyalists in East Florida 1774-1785	Siebert, Wilbur Henry	FL 00004 (9)