San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society

A Member Society Chartered in 1959

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A newsletter to inform members of Society Activities and Library Acquisitions

August 2018 *Newsletter*

$1.00 Tickets are available at the Library Desk for the drawing at the Seminar in October.



Show this beautiful quilt to your family, friends, and neighbors so that they too have an opportunity to own this unique San Antonio 300 souvenir.

President's Message

Just prior to the Founder's Day luncheon, our president, Jim Garrett, had to resign the position due to health reasons. Per our bylaws, the 1st Vice President assumes the remainder of the term as president. The board met and approved the motion for Annette Graham to become the president for the last year of the 2017-2019 term. This opened a vacancy in the 1st VP position and we are happy to share that Barbara McPherson has graciously accepted the position pending approval at the next Board Meeting.

Founder's Day was a great success. We had 70 people registered for the event, our largest attendance at this function in many years! Thank you to everyone who joined us in welcoming our newest First Family, as well as honoring the past honorees in attendance. Dr. F. Jesus de la Teja presented a wonderful program on early Bexar County and the military's ever-evolving impact on its residents.

Please register for our Annual Seminar on October 20. Our speaker will be Kelvin Meyers, forensic genealogist, who will be giving four sessions on different research strategies that will work with every skill level. Kelvin is a well respected genealogist and has a teaching style that many will find very entertaining, as well as enlightening. I hope you will join us!

Our thoughts and deepest thanks go to James Garrett, outgoing president, for the work he's put in this past year. His love and dedication to the library and society, as well as those members who have volunteered with him, have been a source of great pride and joy for the San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society. We all wish him the absolute best and thank him for everything!

Annette Graham, genealogist
president@txsaghs.org

Choices for 2019 Classes/Workshops are due Friday August 31!

Please submit your Wish List of Choices for 2019 Classes/Workshops by Friday, August 31, 2018 by mailing or leaving at the SAGHS Library. Your selections guide our Education Committee to develop programs for 2019. This year, instead of rating your choices, use check marks to indicate your wishes. Please download the form and submit your choices by mailing it to or leaving it at SAGHS, 911 Melissa Drive, San Antonio, TX 78213 by 31 August 2018.

CALENDAR

AUGUST SEPTEMBER FUTURE

All Classes, meetings and workshops are in the SAGHS Annex unless otherwise stated.

Wednesday, August 8—10 to 12 Workshop:
Family Tree Maker, Scott Atkinson, Moderator

Sunday, August 12 -- 2 to 4 - "Brick Wall Panel Discussion" SAGHS Members presenting

****Tuesday, August 21 Board Meeting 10 AM**
****Note Date Change**

Tuesday, August 28.-DNA Consult with Kurt Kneeland
Pre-registration by hour 1 or 2 or 3 required.

Monday, September 3 - LIBRARY CLOSED
For Labor Day

Sunday, September 9 2 to 4
Choosing a DNA Test
Instructor: Julia George.

Tuesday, September 11 10 AM
Board Meeting

Wednesday, September 12, Family Tree Maker Workshop See August 8

Saturday, September 15 10 AM
General SAGHS Meeting
YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT! PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND!
Program will present the Campus and Grounds Planning Projects that are proposed for the 2018-2019 year.

Tuesday, September 25 (See August 28)
DNA Consultation Hour

Tuesday, October 9 10 AM
Board Meeting

Sunday, October, 14 No Class

Saturday, October 20—Library Closed
Please join us at the Seminar.

SAVE THESE DATES
REGISTER AT WEBSITES

Saturday, October 20 8:30 to 4:00

SAGHS Annual Seminar
Cross Roads Church (formerly John Calvin Presbyterian Church), 8102 Midcrown Dr., San Antonio, TX 78239

Friday to Sunday, Nov 2-4, 2018

Texas State Genealogical Society Conference
At the Omni San Antonio at the Colonnade
Journey through Generations

Registration open at www.txsgs.org

Classes and Workshops

CLASS SCHEDULE: Please pre-register by calling 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.

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

Wednesday, August 8 10 to 12 PM
Family Tree Maker Workshop (Classes & Workshops)Moderator: Scott Atkinson. This continuing workshop assists in answering questions or solving problems in the use of this computer software. 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.

Sunday, August 12 2 PM to 4 PM
"Brick Wall Panel Discussion"
Presenters: Nancy Brennan, Julia George, Cindy Kennedy, Pat Merk, and Leslie Tomlinson.
Still perplexed by your brick walls? Come to our Brick Wall Panel to hear possible solutions. Our dedicated volunteers attacked the submitted brick walls to offer suggestions. By using these examples, another fresh view offers other methods or records that you may consider. Among these may simply be making and using a timeline, mining census for all it holds, or finding new sources, By hearing these thoughts, one could possibly experience that **'aha"** moment

Tuesday, August 28 at 1, 2 and 3 by appt
Consultation Hour (Classes & Workshops)
Moderator: Kurt Kneeland. DNA has been another avenue added to our Genealogy sources however its newness create many questions. 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 on the 4th Tuesday of the month . The one hour sessions are 1-2pm, 2-3pm and 3-4pm. We ask a $10 donation from SAGHS members and a $20 donation from non-members. If desired, one may bring their laptop as needed but it is not necessary.

Wednesday, September 12 10 to 12 PM
Family Tree Maker Workshop
Moderator: Scott Atkinson. See August 8





NEW MEMBERS

Leann Griffith **Donald Kane**

Shirley Howes **Peggy Peterson**

Be sure to visit the library and the

MINI MINUTES June Board Meeting

- OUR HERITAGE will be published in July
- Rare Books collection catalogued!
- Mr. Garrett resigned from Board for health reasons

Summer/Holiday Schedule Changes

- The general membership does not meet in August; the next meeting is on 15 September.
- The library is closed on Labor Day, Monday September 3.

Our new chairlift has improved our mobility for volunteers, board members, and visitors, and for the heavy books and boxes that travel up and down the stairs.

Sincere thanks for a major donation/support from: the V.H. McNutt Memorial Foundation.

We are still accepting donations at the library to defray some of the expense involved.



Harry Dell **Eddie McBee**
Frances Pryor **Gloria Schope**

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

San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society
Presents Our

Annual Genealogy Seminar



Kelvin L. Meyers

The SAGHS Annual Fall Seminar takes place on

Saturday, October 20

at the Cross Roads Church (formerly John Calvin Presbyterian Church) in San Antonio.

Our speaker is Kelvin L. Meyers. Kelvin brings a great knowledge of social sciences, history, genealogy, and some "P I" techniques to his work. His experience includes 18 years as a professional genealogist and 28 years as an avid researcher-historian.

His topics will be:

- Probate: More Than a Will
- The Hand That Rocked the Cradle Could Rule The World
- Are Your Ancestors in the Draper Manuscripts?
- Introduction to Forensic Genealogy

Cost: $45 for members, $50 for non-members. $50 members/$55 non-members after 1 Oct 2018. Includes a box lunch.

Duplicate Book Sale! ***Door Prizes!***







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MEMORIALS NEW BOOKS GIFTS NEW BOOKS DONATIONS

Memorial	*Early West Tennessee Baptist Associations, Minutes and Notes, 1830-1903*	Tennessee Genealogical Society	TN 00004 (12)
Harrell Estate by Mr. Smoot	*Early Genealogical & Historical Records Habersham County, Georgia*	Kimzey, Herbert B. & Nancy Kimzey Dempsey	GA hab0
	A. J. Barrett - Evan Watkins, Jr., Pioneers of Craighead County, Arkansas; Their Families - Some Descendants - Some Ancestry	Barrett, M. C. and Lois Barrett O'Kelly	FH Barrett
	Dickson County Handbook	Garrett, Jill Knight	TN dick0
	Monticello 1941, The	Thomas Jefferson High School Students	SN 228a
	Index and Abstracts of Deeds of Record of Pitt County, North Carolina Volume III (1801-1817)	Ellison, Judith DuPree	NC pitt6
	Index and Abstracts of Deeds of Record of Pitt County, North Carolina Volume II (1782-1801)	Ellison, Judith DuPree	NC pitt6
	Laurens County South Carolina Deed Abstracts Books A-D 1785-1793 (1769-1793)	Vehorn, Larry, comp.	SC laur6
	Blount County Tennessee Chancery Court Records Book O and Book I 1852-1865	Dockter, Albert W.	TN blou0
	Records of Effingham County, Georgia Containing Annals of Georgia Volume II and Effingham County Legal Records from The Georgia Genealogical Magazine	Wilson, Caroline Price, comp.	GA effi0
Muncey Family	*Events in the life of A. A. Muncey the Great Grandfather of James Arthur Muncey, Jr.*	Becker, Ann Dunphy	FH Muncey
Cassandra Wong			
	Locating Your Roots; Discover Your Ancestors Using Land Records	Hatcher, Patricia Law	RF 00000 (83)
	101 Best Genealogy Research Tips	Nickerson, Janice	RF 00000 (79)
	Locating Your Immigrant Ancestor; A Guide to Naturalization Records, Revised Edition	Neagles, James C. & Lila Lee Neagles	RF 00000 (78)
	Plugging Into Your Past; How to find real family history records online	Crume, Rick	RF 00000 (77)
	Women and the Law of Property in Early America	Salmon, Marylynn	RF 00000 (76)
	Field Guide for Genealogists, A; Second Edition	Jacobson, Judy	RF 00000 (74)
	Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your Female Ancestors, A	Carmack, Sharon DeBartolo	RF 00000 (68)
	Georgia Genealogical Resources	Schweitzer, Georgia K.	GA 00000 (8)
	Genealogist's Companion & Sourcebook, The	Croom, Emily	RF 00000 (67)
	Your Guide to the Family History Library	Warren, Paula Stuart & James W. Warren	RF 00000 (66)
	America's Best Genealogy Resource Centers	Dollarhide, William and Ronald A. Bremer	RF 00000 (73)
	Unpuzzling Your Past Workbook, The; Essential forms and letters for all genealogists	Croom, Emily Anne	RF 00000 (56c)
Estate of Ina Morris	*Sketches from Local History*	Halsey, William Donaldson	NY suff4
	In Old Southampton	Halsey, Abigail Fithian	NY suff4
	Ladies At the Crossroads; Eighteenth-Century Women of New Jersey	Lyttle, Virginia M., et al	NJ 00004 (8)
	Memorial of George Rogers Howell and His Son	Pelletreau, Willian, et al	FH Howell
	Descendants of Edward Howell	Humphrey, Effingham P.	FH Howell
Estate of Irene McCrystal	*Letters of Narcissa Whitman 1836-1847, The*	Whitman, Narcissa	RF 33004 Whitman
	Echoes of the Past	Biediger, Cheryll, et al	TX medi4

MEMORIALS	NEW BOOKS	GIFTS	NEW BOOKS	DONATIONS
Joseph D. Leatherwood	*Civil War Letters of William H. Leatherwood, Joseph D. Leatherwood and Family, The*		Leatherwood, Joseph D., ed.	RF 14004 (131)
Scott Hubbert	*General Survey of That Part of the Island of St. Christophers (Sabin Americana Print Editions 1500-1926)*		R. M. S. B.	RF 08004 (9)
	Life and Families of 17th Century Langham, The; Langham Village History Group		Frisby, Mike, comp.	RF 01004 (10)
	Wild Shores, America's Beginnings, The		Snell, Tee Loftin	RF 21004 (38)
	History of Caroline County, Maryland, From Its Beginning;		Noble, Edward M.	MD caro4
	Short History of England, A; The Glorious Story of a Rowdy Nation		Jenkins, Simon	RF 01004 (5)
	History of Dorchester County, Maryland		Jones, Elias	MD dorc4
	Bergen Family, The		Bergen, Teunis G.	FH Bergen
Caroline L. Ingram	*Cactus 1947, The*		Ferguson, William B., ed	SN 98 (1947)
	Cactus 1946, The		Conrad, Margaret M., ed	18962
Eloise Marmion Rooke	*When Grandad Fought the Indians; A Tourist Guide to Points of Interest in Central Texas*		Educational Bureau	TX 00004 RARE BOOK
	Texas the Lone Star State Vol. 4-S		Bank of the Manhattan Company	TX 00000 RARE BOOK






2018—2019 Membership Dues are Due

Again this year you can renew or join at the SAGHS website using your credit card. To renew on the SAGHS website, log-in on the members only page. Go to Your Profile page (left menu bar, under Members Only) and click on the Renew Membership button. Dues paid before 1 July 2018 will maintain your name on the mailing list for the July issue of *Our Heritage*. If dues are paid between 1 July and 31 August your copy of the July issue of *Our Heritage* will be available for pick up at the library. Those members not renewing by 1 September will be dropped from the active membership roll.

Even if you are renewing membership we ask that you fill out and return the application form so that our membership database contains the most up-to-date contact information.

EDITOR'S DESK: A little introduction to me. I lived in San Antonio from 1979 until 2010. I worked as an accountant at Dianne Flack Interiors for a few years and then 22 years in Corporate Accounting at USAA until I retired in 2008. My mother was here when I moved from the Boston area in 1979 and I brought my then 7 year old son Erik to raise here. My birth and growing up heritage is in Cecil County, Maryland and my mother's family history goes back to Pennsylvania and in Europe to England, Ireland and Holland. My father was third generation Italian in this country and from the Genoa, Northern Italy area. However, San Antonio is the home of my heart and I hope to be here permanently. I live near Wetmore and Thousand Oaks with two cats to laugh at and cuddle with. In New Jersey during the last several years, I edited the Quarterly newsletter for the Friends of the Brick Library, so, while I have some experience, doing it monthly will be a challenge! Other hobbies include reading, photography, scrapbooking, mahjong and volunteering. Let me know what you would like to see in this newsletter at publications@txsaghs.org or text to 908.907.8712 Thanks to Larry Luckett for leaving me great examples of newsletters and for his help to get me started. Thanks, Pat Merk