San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society

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A newsletter to inform members of Society Activities and Library Acquisitions

October 2017 *Newsletter*

Daughters of the Republic of Texas Library will open 27 October

The Grand Opening of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas Library Collection at Presidio Gallery will be held 27 October 2017 at 9:30 A.M. President James Garrett represented the Society at a reception for historians and scholars at the newly renovated Presidio Gallery at the Bexar County Archives Building.

The DRT Library Collection is housed in the Former Federal Reserve Building on 126 E. Nueva Street. Documents, books, maps, letters and other artifacts, pertain to the Republic of Texas history of Texas, San Antonio, and the Alamo.

President Garrett encourages SAGHS members to visit this facility, to learn more about the many items of historical significance, and to access the facility resources for genealogical research.



Former Federal Reserve Building now houses the DRT Library and Research Collection.

Image courtesy of DRT

Next Meeting on 20 January 2018

Because we'll all be at the SAGHS Fall Seminar on 7 October, a meeting of the general membership is not scheduled in October. And meetings of the general membership are not planned for November or December. We'll see you at the next meeting on 20 January 2018.

President's Message

Our September Board meeting included review and acceptance of the FY 2017-2018 Annual Budget of $47,764.56, which was subsequently presented to the membership at the 16 September General Meeting. Our thanks go to 3rd Vice-President Arnold Birdsong for the development and presentation of the budget. Also at the Board meeting, plans for the September General Meeting "Show and Tell" program, and for the Annual Seminar were reviewed by 1st Vice-President Annette Graham.

Annette has confirmed that the Oak Hills Country Club will not be available for the June 2018 Founders' Day Luncheon. **Please contact Annette with suggestions for a suitable alternative location.**

Several members brought some of their treasured keepsake items to the General Meeting for our annual "Show and Tell." Members explained the significance and described how the items came into their possession. Several interesting approaches to finding their items and records were shared. [See the photos on page 6].

Members of the quilters group proudly displayed the completed quilt which will be presented to a lucky raffle ticket holder at the Seminar. This project typically raises about $1000.00 annually. All costs relating to production of the quilt are donated by the quilters. Many thanks to this group; we appreciate your contribution. During the business part of the meeting, the Annual Budget was presented and approved.

James H. Garrett

October November Calendar



Wednesday, 4 Oct.—Duplicate Book Sale for SAGHS Members, 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Saturday, 7 Oct.—SAGHS Fall Seminar. "Advanced Reseaarch Techniques," Speaker: Cari Taplin. See the SAGHS website https://txsaghs.org/index.php

Saturday, 7 Oct.—Library Closed for Fall Seminar

Sunday, 8 Oct.—A Sunday class is not scheduled; plan on attending the Fall Seminar. Library is open normal hours.

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

Wednesday, 11 Oct.—Workshop: Family Tree Maker, Moderator: Scott Atkinson, 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex.

Tuesday, 24 Oct.—DNA Consult with Kurt Kneeland. Pre-registration required.

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

Wednesday, 22 Nov.—Thanksgiving Eve Library Closes Early, 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

Tuesday, 28 Nov.—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, 8 October—A Sunday class is not scheduled; Plan on attending the Fall Seminar on Saturday, 7 October.

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:

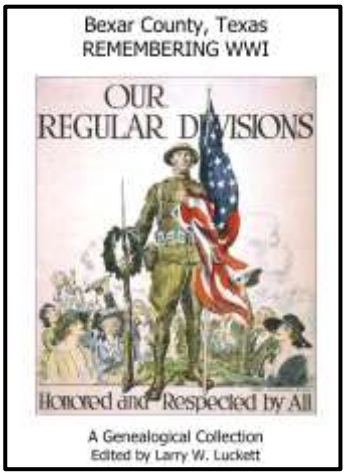
- Julia will present a beginner to intermediate level course to provide an overview of the value of deeds with how to locate and access them.
- Cindy will then demonstrate the use of HistoryGeo.com, a subscription website accessible at the SAGHS Library.

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.

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



New SAGHS Publication **Available 15 October 2017**

Remembering World War I Edited by Larry W. Luckett

In three sections: Researching WWI Ancestors, Home Front, and Western Front.

An anthology of family memories and events from 100 years ago, with 40 articles by members of the San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society; includes articles to guide further individual genealogy research. The collected articles have appeared in five previous issues of *Our Heritage*, the SAGHS genealogy journal.

Soft cover, 152 pages, full color covers, 4 pages full color illustrations; fully indexed by names, military units, battles, and locations.

Order from the SAGHS website: https://txsaghs.org/store.php?sid=1



Have you conducted extensive research into a particular state or country? Are you well acquainted with historical events that have impacted your ancestors? Are you prepared to recommend genealogy books that should be purchased by the SAGHS Library?

The Book Selection Committee needs your suggestions. Please fill out the form below (one form per book) with as much information as possible.

SAGHS BOOK PURCHASE RECOMMENDATION

Please provide the following information if you wish to make a recommendation to the Book Selection Committee:

Member's Name _____

Date _____ Phone # _____

Email _____

Title of Book _____

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Author _____

Publisher _____

Year published _____ Price _____

Have you checked the SAGHS online library catalog for this book?

Yes No

Please give this completed form to the librarian on duty.



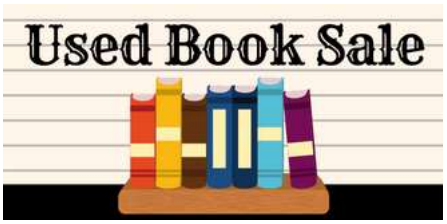
RootsMagic Workshop

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.



Members Preview Sale

4 October

SAGHS Annex, 10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

SAGHS Duplicate Book Sale on Saturday, 7 October at the SAGHS Fall Seminar

On your next visit to the library ask to see the inventory of titles. All proceeds support society programs and keep your dues as low as possible.

SAGHS Fall Seminar
Saturday, 7 October 2017
Advanced Genealogy Research Techniques

with Cari A. Taplin, CG

Register online at

https://txsaghs.org/store.php?sid=1

Newly Arrived Books

Purchase from Memorial Funds

Adair County, Kentucky Marriages January 1, 1840 to January 1, 1870 Watson, Michael C. KY adai8

The Lost Marriage Bonds of Adair County, Kentucky 1840-1870 Watson, Michael C. KY adai8

Research in Mississippi (NGS Research in the States Series) Thornton, Lori MS 00000 (3)

Research in American Indians of Oklahoma (NGS Research in the States Series) Huber, Kathy OK 00000 (6)

Mastering Genealogical Documentation (NGS Special Topics Series) Jones, Thomas W. RF00000 (51)

Gift of Peggy Deming

Germans of Louisiana Merrill, Ellen C. LA 00001 (1)

The Irish in America Coffey, Michael and Terry Golway RF 03004 (21)

Gift of Ann Oppenheimer

Landmarks: A Pictorial History of DeKalb County, Alabama Landmarks of DeKalb County, Inc. AL DeKa4

Notes on the Southerland, Latham and Allied Families; Register of the Ancestors of Imogen Southerland Voorhees Voorhees, Edward Kinsey FH Southerland

Olde Wickham, Little Kingdom By the Sea: A Comprehensive History of Hyde County, Including Ocracoke and Hatteras Lupton, Richard B. NC hyde4

Early Hyde County, North Carolina Marriage Records: 1735-1899 Mayo, Linda Gray, ed. NC hyde8

Land Warrants & Grants Hawkins Co., Tennessee (1788-1804) Pruitt, A. B. TN hawk6

Abstracts & Summaries of Washington Co., VA Deed Book 20 May 1850-Feb 1852 Hockett, Jack VA wash6

Gift of William F. Walsh

The Sharpshooter; El Tirador de Primera; the Untold Story of Hamilton Cobb Peterson Walsh, William F. II RF 33004 Peterson

Gift of Harrell Estate by Mr. Smoot

The Diaries of Evan Pugh (1763-1801 Rudisill, Horace Fraser SC 00004 (43)

Marriage and Death Notices from the Southern Christian Advocate Vol. I: 1837-1860 *Holcomg, Brent H. SC 00008 (11)*

Greenville Co., S.C. Cemetery Survey Vol. Five Greenville Chapter of South Carolina Genealogical Society SC gree8

Newly Arrived Books

Gift of Harrell Estate by Mr. Smoot

Madison County, Alabama Orphans Court Minutes 1810-1817 Johnson, Dorothy Scott AL madi0

Kilgo Cousins and Kin; A Collection of Kilgo / Kilgore and Related Families … Brock, Darrell R. FH Kilgo

Waterhouse, the Englishman Immigrant; Jacob Waterhouse and Some of his Descendants Frost, Raymond Francis FH Waterhouse

The Cherokee Land Lottery (1832); Containing A Numerical List of the Names of the Fortunate Drawers in Said Lottery... Smith, James GA 00006 (16)

Georgia Baptist Historical Society Abstracts Marriages Published in the Christian Index 1828-1855 Overby, Mrs. James C. GA 00008 (14)

Tombstone Inscriptions of Hall County, Georgia McRay, Sybil Wood GA hall8

Records of Washington County Georgia GA wash0

Lincoln County North Carolina Marriage Records 1783-1866 Vol. II Females Ingmire, Frances T. NC linc8

New Hanover County North Carolina Marriage Records 1779-1868 Ingmire, Frances NC newh8

Orange County, N. C. Abstracts of the Minutes of the Inferior Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions, 1777-1788 Redden, Alma Cheek NC oran0

Index and Abstracts of Deeds of Record, Pitt Co., N. C. (1817-1832) Vol. IV Ellison, Julith DuPree NC pitt6

History of Old Tryon and Rutherford Counties North Carolina 1730-1936 Griffin, Clarence W. NC tryo4

The Handy Book for Genealogists United States of America Eighth Ed. Everton RF 00000 (157d)

Immigrant and Passenger Arrivals: A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications RF 00000 (50)

Black Studies: A Select Catalog of National Archives Microfilm Publications RF 00000 (52)

Marriage and Death Notices from Pendleton (S. C.) Messenger 1807-1851 Lucas, Silas Emmett SC pend8

Pickens County South Carolina Cemetery Survey Vol. Two Pendleton Chapter of S. C. Genealogical Society SC pick8

The History of Polk County Haynes, Emma R. TX polk4

Polk County Folks Vol. 1 Newspaper Obituaries and Death Notices Hendrix, Don TX polk8

Brief Abstract of Lower Norfolk County and Norfolk County Wills 1637-1710 McIntosh, Charles Fleming VA norf7

NEW MEMBERS

John Hernden

Lisa Lewis

Linda Ogle

Be sure to visit the library and the members-only section of the website to enjoy some of the benefits of your membership!

MEMORIALS

Jessie Knutson Etheredge
sister of Helen Parker

Dorothy R. Mayer
mother of Mitzi Jackson

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



FIRST FAMILIES OF BEXAR COUNTY

Each year SAGHS honors families who prove their descent from an ancestor who was in Bexar County prior to August 1850. In 1850 Bexar County covered a large part of Texas north and west of the current county boundaries. If one or more of your ancestors lived in the county before 1 August 1850, when the 1850 U.S. census was taken, you can qualify.

Applications are accepted at any time of the year. If the applications are received by **15 February 2018** and the family qualifies, they can be recognized at the SAGHS Founders' Day Luncheon in June. Download an application at

http://www.txsaghs.org/cpage.php?pt=17

Texas State Genealogy Society Cancels 2017 Conference Due to Damage From Hurricane Harvey

"The Omni Westside Hotel in Katy, the site of the 2017 TxSGS Family History Conference, was not spared from damage during the recent landfall of Hurricane Harvey in Houston. While they had expected to be open on October 1, further evaluation of the site has pushed the date back past our scheduled conference dates of October 20-22. There are no other facilities in Houston that can host the Conference at this time; and moving to another city at this late date is not possible. It is with disappointment and regret that we must cancel the 2017 TxSGS Family History Conference."

Newly Arrived Books

The Bass Family of Black Creek North Carolina Bass, James Albert & James Albert Bass, Jr. FH Bass

The Archaeology and Early History of the Head of the San Antonio River Stothert, Karen E. TX bexa4 (110)

Alamo Masonic Cemetery, San Antonio, Texas (*Our Heritage*, Vol. 27, No. 3) SAGHS,TX bexa8 (19)

Family Keepsakes Shared at SAGHS "Show and Tell"



Annette Graham with her grandfather's pocket watch



Arnold Birdsong showed an early spelling book



William Myers displayed a family bible



Steve Mabie with his grandfather's medal for serving as National Commander of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War