

San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society

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A Member Society Chartered in 1959

A newsletter to inform members of Society Activities and Library Acquisitions

May 2017 *Newsletter*

The next general meeting of the SAGHS membership will be on 20 May 2017 10:00 A.M., SAGHS Library Annex.

Mission Indians in Spanish Colonial Texas

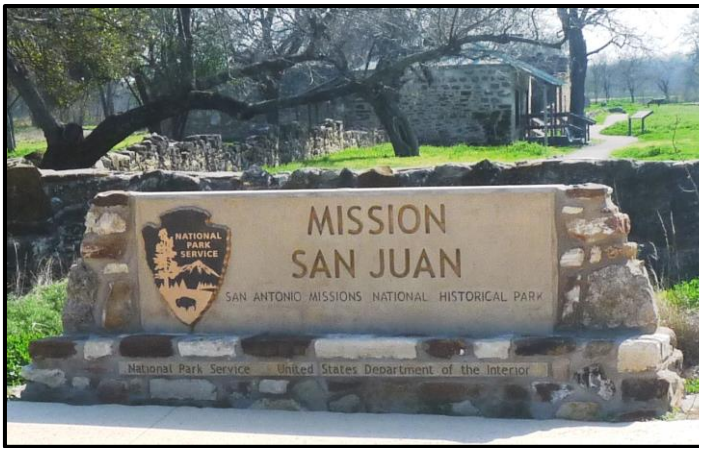
Presented by: Tom Castanos,

Education Coordinator,
San Antonio Missions National Historic Park

The United States National Park Service manages all the property within the boundaries of the San Antonio Missions National Historical Park. The missions along the river are where the city began. "Without the ability to irrigate fields and grow a surplus of food, the idea of having a large population that could build the infrastructure, the buildings, eventually the Camino Real, simply was not possible."

Meetings are free and open to the public.

Duplicate Book Sale after the Meeting.



Education Classes Survey

Each May, the Education Committee solicits input from the membership on which subjects interest individuals for classes to be presented in the following year. This survey is printed on the flyer enclosed on page 5 of this *Newsletter*. Use the "Suggestions" area to identify other topics or to volunteer to teach a subject. Return your surveys to the library or by mail before 1 July 2017. We rely on your response to select the programs to provide an informative genealogy education for our members.

BRICK WALL PANEL

Have you submitted your Brick Wall queries to the Education Committee yet? Our Brick Wall Panel scheduled for 10 September 2017 needs your help by submitting your research "brick wall" dilemma for our discussion. While queries are due 1 May 2017, if you submit right away it will be considered. Please be sure to identify the resources that you have used to avoid repetition of information, and remember the Brick Wall Panel will only address problems for your American 18th, 19th or 20th century ancestor.

Submit by email to education@txsaghs.org.

SAGHS Founders' Day 17 June 2017

Our annual **Founders' Day** is our day to remember those forward thinkers who began our genealogy society in 1955. At this luncheon we meet in friendship to install new officers, honor volunteers, celebrate new *First Families of Bexar County*, and enjoy an interesting speaker. Members gather beginning at 11:30 A.M. at the Oak Hills Country Club.

See the reservation form on page 4 of this *Newsletter* and reply by 12 June to join us for the event. It will not be complete without you.

May – June Calendar



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

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

Sunday, 14 May — Mother's Day, Library Closed.

Saturday, 20 May — General Membership Meeting, 10:00 A.M., SAGHS Annex. Topic: "Mission Indians", Speaker: Tom Castanos. Book Sale follows the meeting.

Sunday, 21 May — "Google and Genealogy: Working Together," Instructor: Diane Scannell**,** 2:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex.

Monday, 29 May — Memorial Day, Library Closed.

Sunday, 11 June — "Using Family Search.org," Instructor: Kathy Totten**.** 2:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex.

Tuesday, 13 June—SAGHS Board, 10:00 A.M., SAGHS Annex

Wednesday, 14 June — Workshop: Family Tree Maker, Moderator: Scott Atkinson, 10:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., SAGHS Annex.

Saturday, 17 June — Founders' Day Luncheon, 11:30 A.M., Oak Hills Country Club, **Library Closed.**

Sunday, 18 June — Father's Day, Library Closed.

Tuesday, 27 June — DNA Consult with Kurt Kneeland. Pre-registration required

Election Results

The following officers of the society for 2017-2019 were elected by the general membership at the meeting on 8 April:

President: James Garrett

1st V.P. (Programs): Annette Graham

2nd V.P. (Membership): Sue Seiler

3rd V.P. (Finance): Arnold Birdsong

Secretary: Julia George

Treasurer: Stephen Mabie

Congratulations to these highly qualified and dedicated individuals who have volunteered to lead our society and programs for the next two years.

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. at the SAGHS Library Annex, 911 Melissa, San Antonio, TX.

Sunday, 21 May — "Google and Genealogy: Working Together," Instructor: Diane Scannell.

It's powerful. It's available.
It's free!
Learn about Google's hidden secrets and how to use them in your genealogy research.



NOTE date change for this class!

Sunday, 11 June — "Is An Archive On Your Itinerary?" Instructor: Susan Stieler. This class will describe the preparations needed before you visit an archive, followed by a thorough explanation of genealogical resources found in the Texas State Library and Archives at Austin.

TEXAS STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES COMMISSION

Sunday, 9 July — "Finding and Using Vital Records and Family Trees on Ancestry.com" Instructor: Julia George.

A beginner to intermediate level course providing an overview of using the subscription website *Ancestry.com* available at the SAGHS Library. The focus will be on various methods for locating vital records as well as a discussion of the use and value of family trees on the website.

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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 Roof in Place at the SAGHS Library

Thank you for your indulgence in alternate parking while contractors replace the tile roof on our library building. The roof replacement was necessitated by damage from the hail storm in April 2016. Because of the extensive damage across San Antonio, finding a qualified contractor with available schedule delayed the work. While the tile replacement has been completed, installing the rain gutters and down-spouts remains.

Our thanks to Building and Grounds Co-Chairs, Merri Murphy and David Ringer, who identified contractors, negotiated requirements and costs, and coordinated this extensive project. Also thanks to our Library Committee who covered books and shelves inside the library to protect books from debris and dust during the project.

A tile on the library roof, broken by hail in April 2016.





A view of the library roof showing new tiles (upper level) and the scum-covered old tiles on the lower level (lower level tiles have since been replaced).

Don't miss our Spring duplicate book sale at the SAGHS library. The sale is scheduled after our General Meeting, Saturday, 20 May, from 12:00-4:00 P.M. Perhaps you will find a book to resolve an ancestral mystery at a cheap price. Proceeds support SAGHS programs.

Spring 2017

BOOK SALE

SAGHS Library

20 May

MEMORIALS

L. E. Castleberry

Husband of member Judy Castleberry

Donations to Memorials help purchase books and databases for our library.

You may submit memorial donations in person or by mail to the library. Many thanks to all our donors.

NEW MEMBERS

Amber Anderson

Jordan Stewart **Mary Coe**

Allen Currier **Pat Hatfield**

Laura and Roger Chiodo

Kendall Degraphenreed

Lynette and Ashton Munson

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

VISIT SAGHS on FACEBOOK

Can't get enough news about SAGHS? Is a month between Newsletters too long without an update? Then you need to visit the **SAGHS FACEBOOK PAGE**. Click on the link below, and be sure to "LIKE" the page when you get there.

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Founders' Day Luncheon

17 June 2017

Speaker: Larry W. Luckett
Topic: World War I—Behind the Trenches



This year marks the 100th anniversary of the United States' entry into World War I. Thoughts of World War I bring visions of trench warfare, no man's land, and deadly machine gun fire causing almost countless casualties. While this upheaval occurred on the battlefields of the Western Front and around the world, the war had other realities to those who served in support of American troops. Award-winning writer Larry Luckett will discuss some of the little-known military units and civilian organizations in France that helped to sustain the fight and maintain the morale of those in the trenches.



SAGHS Founders' Day

17 June 2017

Oak Hills Country Club
5403 Fredericksburg Rd.

Program starts at 11:30 A.M.
Lunch follows the presentation

Speaker: Larry W. Luckett
Topic: World War I—Behind the Trenches

First Families of Bexar County **recipient will be recognized**

2017-2019 Officers will be sworn-in

Door Prizes!

Quilt Raffle Tickets Available

Menu

Choice 1— Caesar Salad,
Chicken Picatta (in lemon, wine and caper sauce),
Angel Hair Pasta (with garlic butter and fresh herbs),
and Spinach Soufflé in a Broiled Tomato Cup

or

Choice 2—Vegetarian Medley

Both menus served with assorted rolls and butter,
tea and coffee, and Italian Cream Cake.

RSVP by 12 June 2017

Name _____

Guest Names _____

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Phone: _____

email: _____

No. attending: ____ **x $35 ea. = $** _____

Entree choice:

Chicken Picatta **No.** _____

Vegetarian Medley **No** _____

Mail your check and this order blank to
SAGHS, 911 Melissa Dr,
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or register and pay at the SAGHS website
www.txsaghs.org

Preferences for 2018 Classes/Workshops

Classes are being planned for 2018. We are trying to determine if there is enough interest to repeat some of the classes, as well as which new ones to add. Please return your response to the Education Committee; it is appreciated. Thank you.

Please circle your preference for these classes.

(1-Not interested, 2-Slightly interested, 3--Somewhat interested, 4—Very Interested)

Using Collateral Ancestors in Your Research
1 2 3 4

Researching and Platting Land Records
1 2 3 4

Choosing a DNA Test & Utilizing Results
1 2 3 4

Using Migration Trails in the USA
1 2 3 4

Texas after Statehood
1 2 3 4

Why and How to Cite Sources
1 2 3 4

Analyzing Your Findings: Sources, Information, and Evidence
1 2 3 4

Researching German Ancestors
1 2 3 4

Researching State(s) (name) _____

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Research Hidden Treasures in the SAGHS Library
1 2 3 4

Interest in a Brick Wall Special Interest Group
1 2 3 4

Interested in Microsoft Office:

Word
1 2 3 4

Excel
1 2 3 4

PowerPoint
1 2 3 4

How to Write a Family History
1 2 3 4

Researching Government Employees, Including Military
1 2 3 4

Using Genealogical Resources (*indicate any/all you are interested in:*

American Ancestors (NEHGS)
1 2 3 4

Ancestry.com
1 2 3 4

BillionGraves.com and FindaGrave.com
1 2 3 4

Family Search.org
1 2 3 4

Genealogical Blogs
1 2 3 4

Heritage Quest
1 2 3 4

Historygeo.com
1 2 3 4

Lineage Societies (DAR, Mayflower…)
1 2 3 4

PERSI
1 2 3 4

Others_____

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Suggestions: _____

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To return your preferences survey, either: Drop off at the library email to: education@txsaghs.org
Mail to: SAGHS, 911 Melissa Dr., San Antonio, TX 78213

SAGHS FALL SEMINAR 7 OCTOBER 2017

Speaker: Cari A. Taplin, C.G.
Location: John Calvin Presbyterian Church
Duplicate Book Sale -- Handmade Quilt Raffle
View details and register at www.txsaghs.org

Topics: From Deeds to Dirt: Research Analysis with Maps
Census Hurdles: How to Jump Over or Go Around
Using Timelines and Tables for Research Analysis
Using Church Records for Ancestral Origins



NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Gift of Barbara Harrell Estate by Mr. Smoot

Virginia Tax Records from The Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, the William and Mary College Quarterly, and Tyler's Quarterly Index by Gary Parks VA 00002 (1)

Gift of Nancy Brennan

National Huguenot Society, Inc.; Membership Directory 2006 National Huguenot Society RF 06004 (18)

Gift of Rose Arciniega

Handybook for Genealogists; 10th Ed. RF 00000 (70)

Gift of Andrew Grohe

Our Burnley Ancestors and Allied Families Dicken, Emma FH Burnley

Captain George & Lady Ann; The Denisons of Pequotsepos Manor Haynes, William FH Denison

Herndon Family of Virginia; Vol. 1: The First Three Generations Herndon, John Goodwin FH Herndon

Hills of Wilkes County, Georgia and Allied Families Vols. I & 2, Warren, M. B., comp. FH Hill

Howlands in America, The Howland, William FH Howland

Hunter Family of Virginia and Connections Culbertson, Sidney Methiot FH Hunter

Lieutenant Colonel Nathaniel Pope, of Maryland and Virginia Unknown FH Pope

Valliant Story Valliant, James LeRoy FH Valliant

Weakley Family in America 1730-1904 Weakley, Francis J. FH Weakley

Captain George Denison Fuller, Eleanor E. RF 33004 Denison

Gift of Carol Raab

The Cactus, 1931 (University of Texas at Austin) Boyd, Roland, ed. SN 243

The Retama 1928 (Brackenridge High School) SN 243



NEW BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

Gift of Anonymous

Derryberry Book Version 2 Derryberry, Bob FH Derryberry

Tennesseans in the Civil War; A Military History of Confederate and Union Units with Available Rosters of Personnel in Two Parts, Part II Civil War Centennial Commission TN 00004 (2)

Gift of Betty Arnaud

Outline of Four Generations of the Family of Henry Fox (1768-1852) and His Wife, Sarah Harrell Fox (1772-1848), of South Carolina and Mississippi Faucette, Shirley and William D. McCain FH Fox

Sunshine & Shadow; A History of the Goodbee and Edwards Families in Southeast Louisiana Cowart, Shirley M. and Glenn C. Cowart FH Goodbee

St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery Baton Rouge, Louisiana Riffel, Judy and Louis Altazan LA 00008 (8)

Recording Your Family History; A Guide to Preserving Oral History with Video Tape, Audio Tape, Suggested Topics & Questions, Interview Techniques Fletcher, William RF 00000 (47)

Exchange with City of Fairfax Regional Library

Trans-Allegheny Pioneers; Historical Sketches of the First White Settlements West of the Alleghenies 1748 and After Hale, John P. RF 09004 (45)

Virginia Frontier, 1754-1763; Johns Hopkins University Studies in Historical and Political Science Koontz, Louis K. VA 00004 (15)

A Virginia Family and Its Plantation Houses Langhorne, Elizabeth, et al VA albe4

Frederick Parish, Virginia, 1744-1780; Its Churches, Chapels, Ministers and Vestries Meade, Everard Kidder VA fred4

Rockbridge County, VA Deed Book B 1788-1793 Douthat, James l. VA rckb6

Kenmore 1752; Home of Colonel Fielding Lewis and Betty Washington Lewis Hammond, Isabel VA spot4