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A newsletter to inform members of Society activities and Library Acquisitions
November - December 2022



President's Message

Photo by Ray Weiland

YOU made it happen – Thank You! I may be a bit prejudiced but I think the Seminar was a great success and I am deeply grateful to the volunteers who worked to make it so. First, heartfelt thanks to our wonderful presenter Curt Witcher! Also to Rob Lewis who worked long hours to set up and keep us connected for the entire day, along with his sidekick Hal Curry who managed the filming. Masterful job, Gentlemen! Cynthia Kennedy rounded up door prizes from Roots Magic, Family Tree Maker and Find My Past. SAGHS donated a free 2023 Seminar registration and a one year SAGHS membership to happy winners. Barbara Holmes ordered Flash drives for the bags. Nancy McNamara provided spiral notebooks and pens for the bags. Thanks to Leslie Tomlinson who helped with the syllabus – the cover is her design. Thanks to Nancy Mabie who helped with the online attendees, relaying the questions from our on-line attendees. Thanks also to Steve Mabie, Barbara McPherson, Mary Souter, Sue Seiler, Ray Weiland, Jackie Meldrom, Linda Monts, Peggy Peterson, Bev Rakowitz, Laura Grover, Connie Rutledge and Ann Hunt. Ann and Connie sold $160 quilt tickets at the Seminar for a grand total of $778. Thanks to all of you who took a chance! Larry Luckett is responsible for the lovely photo of the quilt and lucky winner Nancy Mabie. Thanks Larry.

Teddy is coming back! Joe Wiegand, is tentatively scheduled for our January meeting on the 21st. He will also be doing three performances at the Menger Hotel that weekend. He wants to make his San Antonio visit a fundraiser for us, thus planning is still in the works. At each performance, he will raffle a Teddy Bear. Joe wants the proceeds from each bear raffle to come to us! He is doing this to help us in our research efforts. What a friend! (cont. pg.2)



Joseph Blancarte
Lisa Blancarte
Lisa Crockett
Marie Antoinette Garza
Adela Gonzalez
Javier Medel
David Sherrard
Monica Sherrard

Submitted by Linda Monts

Meetings

Board Meeting:
Sat. November 12th
10 am Roosevelt Auditorium
and
Sat. December 10th
10 am Roosevelt Auditorium

Next General Membership Meeting
Sat. January 21, 2023
10 am Roosevelt Auditorium

All are welcomed to attend!

President's Message (cont.)

Save the date: For our valuable volunteers there will be a Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon in the Dwyer Center on Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 11:30. A sign-up sheet is on the Librarian's desk in the Library and we ask to have your name added. Attendees do not need to bring anything other than their appetites!

Larry Luckett donated a 1918 panorama picture of Alamo plaza now hanging in the hallway outside the classroom in the Dwyer Center. Come and see this Gem! If you have an artifact or a photo that depicts an historic event in Texas History and you would like to donate this item to the Society, please contact Steve Mabie. There is another wonderful new addition now hanging in the Roosevelt Auditorium; a charcoal rendition of Juan Seguin, done by one of our favorite artist, member Neka Scarbrough-Jenkins, now hanging in the Roosevelt Auditorium.

Have you been in to see the new hi density mobile shelving in the reference room? The room looks wonderful. Kudos to Steve & Rob who juggled scheduling the vendors responsible for: lighting, painting, window tinting, removing tile for the base of the shelving, and assembling the shelves. And kudos to Bev Rakowitz who oversaw the vendor re- shelving the books. They did a fantastic job!

Kudos to Rob Lewis who just installed new, brighter LED lighting in the Dwyer entry. You may thank him for his efforts and saving us the cost of the installation!

Welcome back Kurt Kneeland! Our Facilities Manager has returned from his lengthy sojourn across Alaska and 20 or so U.S National parks. I know Steve and Rob are *especially* glad to see him return!

Happy Holidays everyone!

Barb Froebel

MEMORIAL

Gerald Geoffrey George, son of Member Julia George, passed away October 7, 2022.

Memorial donations in his name can be made in person during normal Library hours, or with a check mailed to: SAGHS Memorials, 911 Melissa Dr. San Antonio, TX 78213-2024.

(Please direct your memorial in the memo section of your check.)

Funds donated for Memorials are used to purchase Library Collection Resources

Veterans Day
November 11



Membership Yearbooks Are Here!

If you didn't pick up your copy, please see our duty Librarians during Library hours.

If you would prefer to receive it by mail, please send a check in the amount of $4.00 to: SAGHS
911 Melissa Dr, San Antonio TX 78213-2024. Indicate "Yearbook" in the memo section.

It Takes A Team

These are just a few of the dedicated volunteers who worked diligently to provide a successful Fall Seminar to our Genealogical Community.

We hope to see you all next year



Clockwise from top center: Barbara Froebel, Ann Hunt & Connie Rutledge selling quilt tickets, Nancy Mabie, Quilt winner, Rob Lewis webinar coordinator, Mary Souter & Sue Seiler distributing box lunches, Laura Grover selling basket tickets, in the Center: Curt Witcher our presenter.

Is 2023 When You Plan to Volunteer for SAGHS?

What is a Volunteer? It is someone who gives their time and energy to something they enjoy to help an organization, or a cause, without financial reimbursement. It is a time to employ life experiences or be challenged to learn something new while enjoying the companionship of new friends, socializing, and the self-reward of a job well done.

The job roles vary in time consumption and interests. SAGHS, like all non-profit programs, depends upon its members to volunteer. The job roles can be as wide ranging as supplying refreshments for General Meetings or Seminar, assisting with Seminar and Founders Day preparation or even gardening! Our **Library Collection** needs volunteers to serve as duty Librarians, help sort books and journal donations, to shelve new book additions, to repair books, to catalog books, to organize the vertical file donations, and to transcribe obituaries. **Educational Roles** include willingness to teach a class on genealogy research topics. **Leadership Roles** encompass ways to direct the society's activities, including becoming a Board Member, chairing a committee or even just serving on a committee, such as Publications, Education, Building and Grounds, Website, Information Technology, etc.

Others may apply their editing skills for our award-winning publications (*Our Heritage* bi-annual journal and the monthly Newsletter) or their writing skills to submit articles for these publications. And there is always a need for someone with computer skills to perform spontaneous tasks. These are just a few of the many opportunities to apply your valuable time and skills. While Tuesdays are the SAGHS volunteer 'work day' when folks gather to visit and to support their varied roles, many roles and duties can be accomplished at home (either entirely or partially) It may be intimidating to join a new group but before long by meeting folks regularly "you feel right at home".

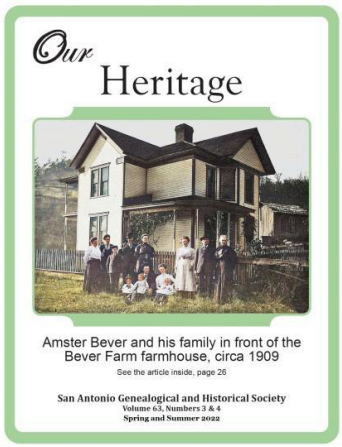
The SAGHS future relies on volunteers to continue its offerings for family researchers. Please contact us at: President@txsaghs.org, Askus@txsaghs.org or Education@txsaghs.org to offer your services and availability. Meanwhile enjoy your day and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Nancy McNamara,
Volunteer Chair



Happy Holidays





HELP WANTED

The SAGHS award-winning genealogy journal, *Our Heritage,* seeks volunteer(s) willing to assist in production and publication of the semi-annual issues.

No experience necessary; learn on the job.

Author Coordinator: interact with authors on publication of articles.

Production Coordinator: interface with printer on journal production.

Opportunity for advancement in the field of non-profit publications

Benefits: The satisfaction of supporting SAGHS, the community of genealogists and friends, and your association with an award-winning journal.

Apply to *publications@txsaghs.org*
or speak with Larry W. Luckett, Editor

SAGHS Members and Friends:

We are in process of mailing our Annual Fund Donation request and you should be seeing it in the next week or so. Your donations are an integral part of our budget as we rely on your generous gifts to ensure our Society continues to run smoothly! SAGHS is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporation and your donation is deductible to the full extent allowed by the IRS.

Any donation, no matter what size, is appreciated and is immediately put to work. Thank you for your donation consideration to support SAGHS!

Ray Weiland
3rd Vice President

Your talent is God's gift to you. What you do with it is your gift back to God.
Anonymous

New Books		
Call Number	**Title**	**Author**
LA avoy2	Avoyelles Parish Louisiana 1840 Census Index	Ingmire, Frances T.
MA 00004 (25 a-c)	Western Massachusetts Families in 1790, Volume 1 - Volume 4	Ullmann, Helen Schatvet (editor)
MA hamp4	Black Families in Hampden County, Massachusetts, 1650-1865, 2nd edition	Carvalho, Joseph
MD 00000 (24)	Tidewater Maryland	Wilstach, Paul
MD 00004 (35)	African American News in the Baltimore Sun, 1870-1927	Pagan, Margaret D.
MD 00006 (2)	Through the Tax Assessor's Eyes: Enslaved People, Free Blacks, and Slaveholders in Early Nineteenth Century Baltimore	Goodson, Noreen J. and Donna Tyler Hollie
MD 00008 (9)	Bible Records	Burns, Gary, L.
MF 388	Southern Families: One Man's Search for Roots	Antley, Eugene Brevard
NC 00002 (8)	Head of Families at the First Census of the United States Taken in the Year 1790, North Carolina	U.S. Census Office
NC 00002 (9)	North Carolina Taxpayers, 1679-1790, Volume 2	Ratcliff, Clarence E.
NC burk4 Vol 2	Revolutionary War Soldiers of Western North Carolina: Burke County, Volume 2	White, Emmett R.
NC guil8	1790, 1800, 1810 Population Schedules: Guilford County, North Carolina	Kirkham, Ruth Hackney
NC stok7	Stokes County, North Carolina Wills, Volumes I-IV, 1790-1860	Absher, Mrs., W.O.
NG 00004 (28)	Early New England Families, 1641-1700, Volume 1	Williams, Alicia Crane
NG 00004 (28a)	Early New England Families, 1641-1700, Volume 2	Williams, Alicia Crane
PA 00000 (11 17)	Pennsylvania Archives - Series 3 - 9	On top of shelves in Reference Entry
RF 00000 (205)	Genealogical Standards of Evidence,: A Guide for Family Historians	Merriman, Brenda Dougall
RF 00000 (27)	County Courthouse Book, 3rd edition	Bentley, Elizabeth P
RF 00000 (283)	Genealogist's Guide to Discovering Your African-American Ancestors: How to Find and Record Your Unique Heritage	Smith, Franklin Carter and Emily Anne Croom
RF 00000 (284)	Free African Americans of Delaware and Maryland: From the Colonial Period to 1810	Heinegg, Paul
PA 00000 (11 17)	Pennsylvania Archives - Series 3 - 9	On top of shelves in Reference Entry
RF 00000 (205)	Genealogical Standards of Evidence,: A Guide for Family Historians	Merriman, Brenda Dougall
RF 00000 (285)	Free African Americans of North Carolina, Virginia, and South Carolina: From the Colonial Period to About 1820, In Three Volumes, Volume 1 Families Abel to Drew	Heinegg, Paul

Submitted by Beverly Rakowitz

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Library Hours
Sun.: 1 pm – 5 pm
Mon.: 10 am – 4pm
Wed.: 10 am – 7 pm
Sat.: 10 am – 4 pm

Library Closures:
New Year's Day, Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, Founders Day, Father's Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Seminar, Thanksgiving Eve, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve.

Upcoming Events at SAGHS

Classes are held in the Dwyer Center
Social distancing will be respected
Please Pre-register by calling the Library at
210-342-5242 or via email to: ***education@txsaghs.org***

Sat. Nov. 12
DNA Consult Hrs.
10 am, 11 am, 12 pm
Annette Graham

Mon. Nov. 14
Part 2
Beginner's
Genealogy
10 am – 2:30 pm
Stephanie Wells

Tues. Nov. 15
Computer SIG
Excel Basics & Creating a Photo Log
10 am – 12 pm
Barbara Holmes

Sat. Dec. 3
DNA Consult Hour
10 am, 11 am, 12 pm
Annette Graham

Sat. Dec. 10
DNA Consult Hour
10 am, 11 am, 12 pm
Annette Graham

Wed. Dec. 14
Family Tree Maker/WikiTree
10 am – 12 pm
Scott Atkinson

Wed. Jan 11
Family Tree Maker/WikiTree
10 am – 12 pm
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