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A newsletter to inform members of Society activities and Library Acquisitions
**September 2022**



## President's Message

*Photo by Ray Weiland*

Dear Friends:

I hope you have had a good summer and managed to stay cool. Hopefully, September will bring a bit of relief from the heat. We are looking foward to see you all on Saturday, September 17th at the General Meeting. We will be voting on the new budget and enjoying our speaker, Mr. John Baines, a former Navy Seabee. In December of 1985, John established the Vietnam Veterans Memorial of San Antonio, Inc. As the Founder and Chairman, he was responsible for overseeing the creation of one of our nation's most inspiring war memorials. His biography is quite impressive. Come and bring a friend for this inspiring program!

***Breaking News***: The Library will be closed for the installation of the Hi-Density Mobile Shelving, from Monday, **Sept. 26th** through Friday, **October 7**. We anticipate reopening on Saturday, **October 8th**. This will **not** affect classes at the Dwyer Center.

**The SAGHS Annual Seminar** will be held on October 15th, with speaker *Kurt Wincher*. The topics chosen by a vote of members are: "Doing Effective Genealogical Research in Libraries", "Mining the Mother Lode: Using Periodical Literature for Genealogical Research", and "Historical Research Methodology: Engaging the Process to Find all the Answers". The 4th session will be an hour of Q & A with Mr. Wincher, so you might want to start building a list of questions on these topics, or others of interest. (cont. p 3)

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Jerry Sifuentes
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Submitted by Linda Monts



**Meetings**

**Board Meeting**:

Sat. September 10th at 10 am
Roosevelt Auditorium
**All are welcomed to attend!**

**General Membership Meeting**
Sat. September 17th at 10 am
Speaker: John Baines, former Navy Seabee

**SAGHS 2022-23 Budget**

Attached to your email is a copy of the Board of Directors approved budget for Fiscal Year 2022-23.

As per our By-Laws, the membership will vote to approve this budget at the September 17 General Membership Meeting. Please take a minute to review this budget and we invite you to join us on Sept. 17 to cast your vote on this important document.

Our General Membership meeting will be a "hybrid". Thus members can attend "live" in the Roosevelt Auditorium in the Dwyer Center or from the comfort of your home via Zoom. The Zoom invitation will be emailed sometime the week of Sep 12. Thanks & we look forward to your participation!

Submitted by Ray Weiland

## Volunteer Sought for Labor of Love

The San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society is soliciting members who are interested in becoming the editor of *Our Heritage* (*OH*), the society's genealogy journal. Larry W. Luckett has served as editor of *OH* since July 2013. During his term, Larry has raised *OH*'s reputation for genealogical excellence and maintained a schedule of two issues annually covering the most relevant topics in genealogy, family stories, and Bexar County history.

Larry has indicated that he intends to step down from the editorship following the Spring-Summer 2023 issue (July 2023), providing an opportunity for another to serve as editor. Consequently, SAGHS is seeking an individual to fill this position. The selected person will be appointed "editor-designate" and will work with Larry for a period of time before taking over the full editor's role.

Being editor of the genealogy journal is both satisfying and educational. Satisfying, in the production of a relevant quality journal for the genealogical community while supporting the society and its members. Educational, as you learn more from working with individual authors on a variety of genealogical techniques, geographical areas, and historical periods. It is an opportunity to increase your genealogical skills.

Queries about this opportunity should be directed to Larry W. Luckett, current *Our Heritage* editor, *publications@txsaghs.org*.




### MEMORIALS

**Anne Garrett**, wife of former member /former SAGHS President James Garrett, passed away June 6.

**Alma E Vogel Floyd,** mother of member / SAGHS Treasurer Nancy Mabie passed away July 4.

**Elna King**, former member passed away July 5.

**Robert Raymond Mason**, husband of member, Rushelle Mason passed away on August 12.

**John Richard "Jack" Thomas,** husband of former SAGHS President Barbara Williams, passed away August 17.

Memorial donations in their names can be made in person during normal Library Hours, or with a check mailed to: San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society 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

# METHODS and SOURCES

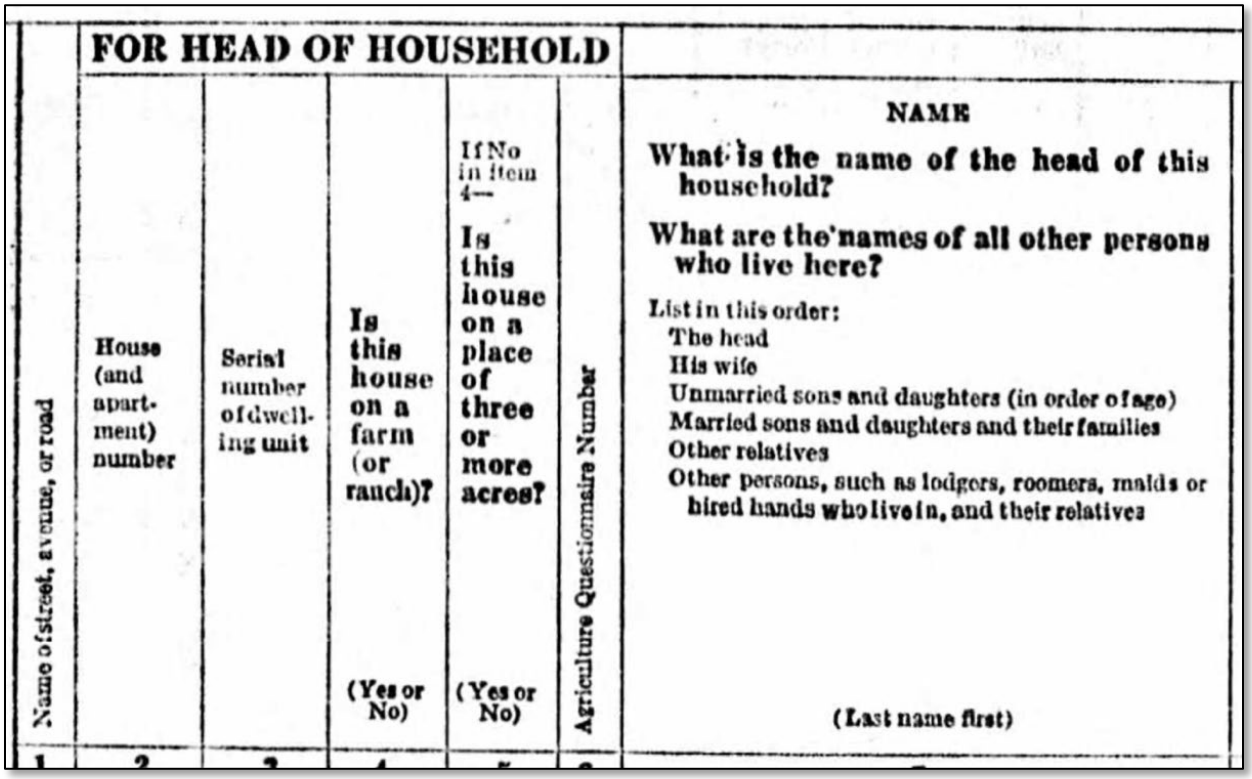
by Leslie Tomlinson, CG

## The 1950 Census

The official start date of the 1950 census was 1 April 1950; it was released to the public 72 years later on 1 April 2022 and marks the last census where enumerators personally visited households. The 48 states plus the territories of Alaska and Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, Panama Canal Zone, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, and some small island territories are included. It is organized by state, county, and enumeration districts, or EDs.

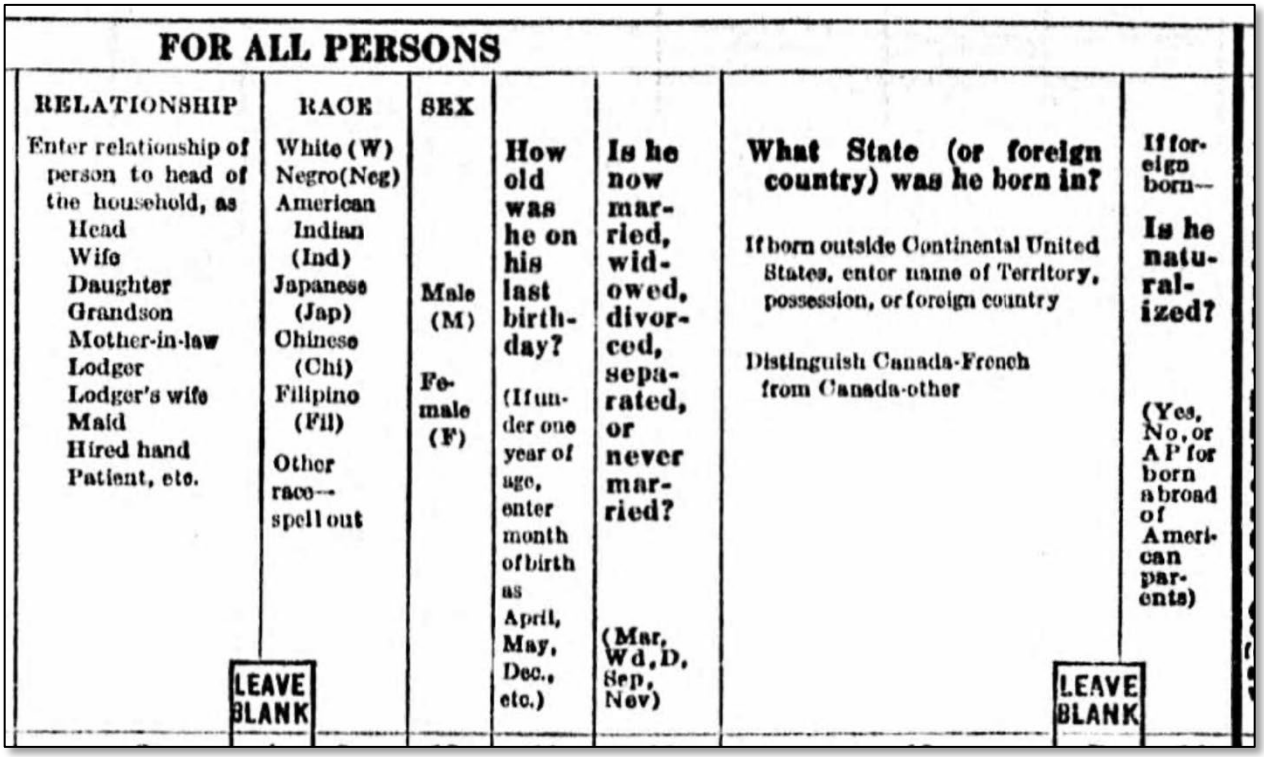
The 1950 census was similar to the 1940 census but had several new features:

- The very top of the form resembles the 1940 census and contains the state, county, ED, and date when the census taking began.
- There are 30 persons per page instead of 40 as in the 1940 census.
- There are 22 instead of 34 questions. Several new questions were added and some were discarded.
- The first seven questions captured responses from only the heads of households, such as street name, house number, or whether the residence consisted of three acres or more. Census instructions were to first list the head, then the names of all in the household in a specific order: wife, unmarried children in birth order, married children, other relatives, then other persons.



| Name of street, avenue, or road | FOR HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD: House (and apartment) number | Serial number of dwelling unit | Is this house on a farm (or ranch)? (Yes or No) | If No in item 4— Is this house on a place of three or more acres? (Yes or No) | Agriculture Questionnaire Number | NAME: What is the name of the head of this household? What are the names of all other persons who live here? List in this order: The head; His wife; Unmarried sons and daughters (in order of age); Married sons and daughters and their families; Other relatives; Other persons, such as lodgers, roomers, maids or hired hands who live in, and their relatives (Last name first) |
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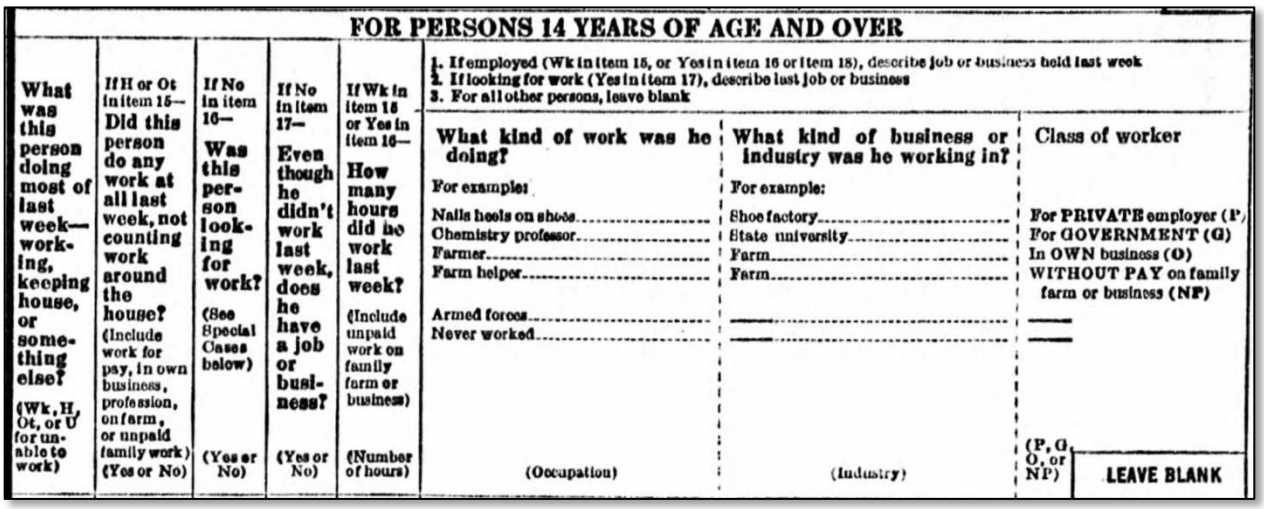
- The middle section was for all persons resident at the address and listed their relationship to the head, race (using specific abbreviations), sex, etc.



**FOR ALL PERSONS**

| RELATIONSHIP | RACE | SEX | How old was he on his last birthday? | Is he now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or never married? | What State (or foreign country) was he born in? | If foreign born— Is he naturalized? |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Enter relationship of person to head of the household, as<br>Head<br>Wife<br>Daughter<br>Grandson<br>Mother-in-law<br>Lodger<br>Lodger's wife<br>Maid<br>Hired hand<br>Patient, etc. | White (W)<br>Negro (Neg)<br>American Indian (Ind)<br>Japanese (Jap)<br>Chinese (Chi)<br>Filipino (Fil)<br>Other race—spell out | Male (M)<br>Female (F) | (If under one year of age, enter month of birth as April, May, Dec., etc.) | (Mar, Wd, D, Sep, Nev) | If born outside Continental United States, enter name of Territory, possession, or foreign country<br>Distinguish Canada-French from Canada-other | (Yes, No, or AP for born abroad of American parents) |
| | LEAVE BLANK | | | | | LEAVE BLANK |

- The section on the right was for those persons 14 years and older and enquired about employment, such as number of hours worked, occupation, and industry.



**FOR PERSONS 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER**

| What was this person doing most of last week—working, keeping house, or something else? (Wk, H, Ot, or U for unable to work) | If H or Ot in item 15— Did this person do any work at all last week, not counting work around the house? (Include work for pay, in own business, profession, on farm, or unpaid family work) (Yes or No) | If No in item 16— Was this person looking for work? (See Special Cases below) (Yes or No) | If No in item 17— Even though he didn't work last week, does he have a job or business? (Yes or No) | If Wk in item 16 or Yes in item 16— How many hours did he work last week? (Include unpaid work on family farm or business) (Number of hours) |
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1. If employed (Wk in item 15, or Yes in item 16 or item 18), describe job or business held last week
2. If looking for work (Yes in item 17), describe last job or business
3. For all other persons, leave blank

| What kind of work was he doing? | What kind of business or industry was he working in? | Class of worker |
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| For example:<br>Nails heels on shoes<br>Chemistry professor<br>Farmer<br>Farm helper<br>Armed forces<br>Never worked<br>(Occupation) | For example:<br>Shoe factory<br>State university<br>Farm<br>Farm<br>(Industry) | For PRIVATE employer (P)<br>For GOVERNMENT (G)<br>In OWN business (O)<br>WITHOUT PAY on family farm or business (NP)<br>(P, G, O, or NP) LEAVE BLANK |

- No longer was an informant indicated, as was the case in 1940 with a circled "X."
- Six persons, or every fifth person, answered supplemental or "sample" questions instead of two persons as in 1940. These individuals are designated with a circle around their line number. The line numbers for sampled persons differed on each page.

## The Sample Questions Section

**THE QUESTIONS BELOW ARE FOR PERSONS LISTED ON SAMPLE LINES**

- Only the six people on sample lines were asked where they lived a year ago, where their mother and father were born, the highest grade they had attended, if they completed it, and if they were in school at any time since 1 February 1950.

**FOR ALL AGES**

| Was he living in this same house a year ago? | If No in item 21— Was he living on a farm a year ago? | If No in item 21— Was he living in this same county a year ago? | If No in item 23— What county and State was he living in a year ago? County (If county unknown, enter name of place or nearest place) | If No in item 23— What county and State was he living in a year ago? State or foreign country | LEAVE BLANK | What country were his father and mother born in? (Enter US or name of Territory, possession, or foreign country) | LEAVE BLANK | What is the highest grade of school that he has attended? (Enter one grade—see codes below) | Did he finish this grade? | Has he attended school at any time since February 1st? (For those under 30 years of age check Yes or No. For those 30 years old or over, check 30 or over) |
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- For those on the sample lines who were 14 and older more detailed questions about employment were asked. Of those six, only the men were asked about military service. In 1940, persons on the sample lines whether man, woman, or child, reported if they were a military veteran, wife, widow, or child (if under 18) of a veteran.

**FOR PERSONS 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER**

| If looking for work (Yes in item 17)— How many weeks has he been looking for work? (Number of weeks) | Last year, in how many weeks did this person do any work at all, not counting work around the house? (Number of weeks in 1949) | Income received by this person in 1949: Last year (1949), how much money did he earn working as an employee for wages or salary? (Enter amount before deductions for taxes, etc.) | Income received by this person in 1949: Last year, how much money did he earn working in his own business, professional practice, or farm? (Enter net income) | Income received by this person in 1949: Last year, how much money did he receive from interest, dividends, veteran's allowances, pensions, rents, or other income (aside from earnings)? | LEAVE BLANK | If this person is a family head (see definition below)— Income received by his relatives in this household: Last year (1949), how much money did his relatives in this household earn working for wages or salary? (Amount before deductions for taxes, etc.) | Last year, how much money did his relatives in this household earn in own business, professional practice, or farm? (Net income) | Last year, how much money did his relatives in this household receive from interest, dividends, veteran's allowances, pensions, rents, or other income (aside from earnings)? | LEAVE BLANK | If Male— (Ask each question) Did he ever serve in the U. S. Armed Forces during— World War II | World War I | Any other time, including present service | LEAVE BLANK |
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President's Message (cont.)

If you would like to donate a gift card or other appropriate Door Prize, for the Seminar, it would be much appreciated. Solicitation letters have been printed, and are available at the Librarian's desk and in the Dwyer Center for you to take to a favorite shop or restaurant that might be willing to donate an item or gift card. We will be Hybrid again this year, (both online and in person). Those who choose to come in person to the Dwyer Center will receive ***a free box lunch***! Please see the Registration form attached and on our website. Quilt tickets are also available now, for $1.00 each! The winner will be chosen at the Seminar, but need NOT be present to win.

Coming in January 2023: **Joe Wiegand**, our favorite Teddy Roosevelt Reprisor, returns to San Antonio. Joe plans to do several days of performances at the Menger Hotel again. At the end of each, he plans to auction a Teddy Bear. Proceeds from the bear auction will be donated to SAGHS!
He also plans to do one or more sessions in our Roosevelt Auditorium! More information will be sent, as details are arranged. Also, his March 2022 performance, previously in the Membership
Only section is now available to all who check our website home page for "Teddy Roosevelt At SAGHS"!

**Other Events held locally:**

**Texas Czech Genealogical Society** presents Czech Ancestors Early Lives event on September 24th, at the Caldwell Civic Center. More information can be obtained by email to: scrutch3@att.net.

**Los Bexarenos** is hosting the 42nd Annual Texas Hispanic Genealogical & Historical Conference September 30th and October 1, 2022 at the Estancia Hotel, 37 NE Loop 410, San Antonio. We plan to have a table there. More information can be obtained at www.losbexarenos.org.

***TxSGS Live! UNLOCK YOUR PAST*** will be presented on Friday and Saturday, November 4-5, 2022. This will feature ten presentations by some of the top speakers in genealogy on research techniques, records, DNA, and more. That's not all! The ***TxSGS Live!*** Lectures will be recorded, including the live question and answer sessions. Registrants will be able to access the 32 additional pre-recorded lectures from some of your favorite speakers plus well-known presenters from across Texas and the U.S. online through February 6, 2023. Register at: https://www.txsgs.org/2022-txsgs-family-history-conference/

Barb Froebel

## Board Briefs

Items from the Board of Directors Meeting of August 13, 2022

Our meeting began with a video presentation by CORDA, our financial management representatives, who advised in this down market its best to not move funds around, as the market will go up soon.

President/ First VP: Possible class topics for the Seminar will be sent in an upcoming Eblast, email, for members to choose their top three. Sons of the American Revolution will be leasing space for a file cabinet in our library (2nd floor).

Second VP: There are 219 members who have not renewed, post card reminders will be sent to them.

Treasurer: Our monthly financial report is posted under the Members Only section of the website, under Member Resources, in the Financial Reports section.

Librarian: Thanks to a grant from the McNutt Foundation, more periodicals have been sent for binding. Member Valerie Gunter has been instrumental in obtaining this grant. Thanks, Valerie!

Directors: Mr. Lewis has installed a TV monitor in the classroom, replacing the projector and screen. The Board approved for the windows in the Auditorium to be tinted, to improve security (preventing one from seeing in, but allowing us to see out) and improved optics of the computer monitors (eliminating the sunspots).

Publications: Mr. Brussells is working on the 2022-3 Yearbook and will send it to the printer in mid-September.

Buildings & Grounds: We are working with a company to prep the floor for our new mobile shelving in the Research Room. Target month is September, and will require Library to be closed for several days. More details will be announced, when we get exact dates.

Education: PERSI is now back in the Allen County Library Servers. We will be having a class on how to access this valuable resource.

Volunteers: Welcome our new volunteer Memorials Committee Chair & Co-Chair: Jackie Meldrom & Wanda Foltz.

Submitted by Barbara Holmes

**October 10**




### Tech Corner

Your cell phone can be used as a 'scanner' to record documents, or pages of a book, during your research trips. You can either use your phone's camera to take a picture, or download a free or paid app on your phone and follow the instructions. In either case, you will probably wish to download the image(s) to your PC/genealogical software, when you return home.

Submitted by Don Sharon

| New Books | | |
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| **Call Number** | **Title** | **Author** |
| AL 00004 (26) | Tracing Your Alabama Past | Davis, Robert Scott |
| AL 00008 (12a) - (19a) | Early Alabama Marriages, 1810-1850: many continue or end between 1850 to 1900. | Added to existing collection of Alabama Marriages |
| AL tusc8 | Moores Bridge, Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, 1825-1990, Volume II | Sudduth, Maggie Hubbard |
| AR 00000 (8) | Township Atlas of Arkansas | Baker, Russell Pierce |
| AR 00002 (8) | 1880 Mortality Schedules of Arkansas | Glazner, Capitola Hensley and Bobbie Jones McLane |
| AR 00006 (3) | Arkansas School Lands Sales, 1853-1997 | Allen, Desmond Walls |
| AR 00008 (11) | North Central Arkansas Death Record Index, 1914-1923: Baxter, Cleburne, Conway, Faulkner, Fulton, Independence, Izaard, Jackson, Lawrence, Randolph, Sharp, Stone, Van Buren, White, and Woodruff counties | Allen, Desmond Walls |
| AR 00008 (12) Vol 1 | Arkansas Death Record Index, 1914-1923, Volume 1 | Allen, Desmond Walls |
| AR 00008 (12a) Vol 2 | Arkansas Death Record Index, 1924-1933, Volume 2 | Allen, Desmond Walls |
| AR 00008 (12c) Vol 4 | Arkansas Death Record Index, 1941-1948, Volume 4 | Allen, Desmond Walls |
| AR ouac2 | Early Ouachita County Arkansas Tax Records. 1851-1857 | Perkins, Yvonne Spence |
| CT 00004 (13) | Connecticut Loyalists: An Analysis of Loyalist Land Confiscations in Greenwich, Stamford and Norwalk | Tyler, John W. |
| FH Alexander | Alexander Kin, Volume 2 | Alexander, Charles C. and Alexander, Virginia W. |
| FH Barton | My First 97 Years | Barton, Theron Glaucius |
| FH Bonner | Bonner Family | Thornton, Sue Bonner |
| FH Boone | Boone Family Research Journal | Schicker, Maryann |
| FH Boone | Descendants of Susannah Boone | Schicker, Maryann |
| FH Brevard | Brevard Family, Those members of the Brevard Family who descended from John/Jean Brevard of France, Ireland and Maryland and settled in Maryland, North Carolina and Tennessee and later in Mississippi, Texas and other points South | Hand, Robert Stephens |
| FH Ferguson | Descendants of the Ferguson Families; Wilkes County, Noth Carolina | Abbott, Hortense E. |
| FH Finton | From Tribes to Nations: Genealogical Sketches from the 6th to the 20th Centuries | Finton, William Kenneth |
| FH Havins | Havins History, update | Hafen, Theresa H. |
| FH Henderson | Our House of Henderson: A documented History of the Henderson Lineage from the time of Colonial America to 1991 | Henderson, Robert H. |
| FH Henderson | Hendersons of Early South Carolina Part 3, 1850. 1860, 1870 | Henderson, Robert H. |

Submitted by Beverly Rakowitz

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Library Hours
Sun.: 1 pm – 5 pm
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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. Sept. 10**
**DNA Consult Hr.**
10 am, 11 am, 12 pm
*Annette Graham*

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

**Sun. Sept. 18**
**Civil War (Union) Ancestor Research**
**2 pm – 4 pm**
*Larry Luckett*

**Sat. Sept. 24**
**Georgia Consult Hours**
10:30 am
*Marianne Collier*

**Sun. Sept. 25**
**Civil War (Confederate) Ancestor Research**
**2 pm – 4 pm**
*Larry Luckett*

**Sat. Oct. 1**
**DNA Consult Hr.**
10 am, 11 am, 12 pm *Annette Graham*

**Sat. Oct. 8**
**DNA Consult Hr.**
10 am, 11 am, 12 pm *Annette Graham*