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A Member Society Chartered in 1959 as a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization

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A newsletter to inform members of Society Activities and Library Acquisitions
April 2021



Photo by Neka Scarbrough-Jenkins

President's Message

Earlier this year, we were contacted by a gentleman representing St. Paul's United Methodist Church asking if we could provide a basic genealogy class as a part of their 155th Anniversary. St. Paul's is the oldest historically Black church in San Antonio, having been founded shortly after the end of the Civil War. As it happens, I have also had several conversations with members of our Board concerning how we could provide exactly this type of community service to other non-profit groups in the San Antonio area.

Shortly after our initial conversation, I met with Skip Alexander and Oscar Gooden to discuss how we could best fulfill their request. Our meeting started in the Library, and included a tour of the Dwyer Center. I informed them of our ability to hold a hybrid meeting in the auditorium and of the expertise and experience of a number of our members. Our meeting was successful, and before they left, we had a plan that they could take back to the Church, and both Skip and Oscar had become members of our Society. The Church officials all approved our plan, and I am very pleased to be able to share the details with you in this newsletter. This is from a recent Church newsletter: "We're partnering with the San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society to host a class entitled 'Genealogy 101.' Our objective is for St. Paul members to discover resources to uncover their ancestral roots. We hope this training will offer valuable information on the contributions provided by our faithful congregants over the past century."

We will be hosting this class in the Roosevelt Auditorium of the Dwyer Center on Wednesday evening, April 14th, from 6:30 - 7:30. We will have a panel consisting of Laura Grover, Librarian; Larry Luckett, the esteemed editor of *Our Heritage* and several other recent SAGHS publications; and Leslie Tomlinson, Certified Genealogist. The Church will have a maximum of 30 members present in the auditorium, and thanks to our technical staff of Rob Lewis and Kurt Kneeland, up to a maximum of 100 attending via Zoom.

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Membership Meeting
April 17, 2021

The next membership meeting will be held, on April 17, at 10 am in the Roosevelt Auditorium of the Dwyer Center.

Come at 9:30 am to enjoy some coffee and treats.



Our program will be on the Campo Santo Cemetery research project. The program presenter will be:

Clinton M. M. McKenzie, Project Archaeologist

Clinton McKenzie first worked for the UTSA Center for Archaeological Research from 1988 -1992 and rejoined the staff in 2014. He currently serves as a project archaeologist. Mr. McKenzie has 38 years of experience in the prehistoric and historic archaeology of San Antonio and South Texas with an emphasis on historic materials, in particular Spanish Colonial. His work experience includes six years in the City of San Antonio Historic Preservation Office. He has also operated as a private consultant for over twenty years providing field, archival and technical writing support for archeological investigations across Texas. He has been involved in avocational archaeology since 1978. His interests include isotopic analysis of domesticate faunal remains, historic and archival studies, Spanish Colonial material culture, indigenous responses and adaptations to the imposition of colonialism, and mortuary archaeology.

Mr. McKenzie received his Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude – Anthropology, at UTSA, in 1990, a Master of Science – Urban Administration, from Trinity University, San Antonio, TX in 1995. He is currently pursuing a PhD in Anthropology at The University of Texas at San Antonio.

Please join us at 10 am on April 17, either in person in the Dwyer Center, or by Zoom for an interesting presentation on the Campo Santo Cemetery research project. The link to sign onto the Zoom meeting will be sent via email the week of April 12th.

President's Message (cont.)

If you happen to know of any other organizations that would like to discuss a similar partnership, please tell them to contact me, at: President@txsaghs.org.

Steve Mabie

SAVE THE DATE — JUNE 19, 2021

Our Founders' Day Luncheon will be at Ft. Sam Houston Golf Course.

More details to follow.



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and designate SAGHS for Amazon to donate .5% of the price of your eligible purchases to us.

SAGHS Writers Accept Award

On 26 March 2021, SAGHS writers Rose Arciniega, Nancy Brennan, Katherine Nelson Hall, and Larry Luckett accepted an award from the Conservation Society of San Antonio for the recent book, *First Families of Bexar County: Descendant Lineages of Residents of Bexar, San Antonio, and Bexar County Prior to 1850*. Other SAGHS members who wrote and contributed to the book but who could not attend the ceremony included Patsy Castanon, Annette Graham, Jo Anne Horne, Velma Keller, Nancy Mabie, Robert Schenk, Mary Lee Sloan, Julia George, and Barbara Johns.

The Conservation Society recognized the SAGHS *First Families* book as one of the top ten books published in the previous two years that best "preserve Texas history, buildings, and customs and also educate the public with knowledge of our inherited regional values." The award recognition brings SAGHS and its publications increased visibility among the more than 1,700 Conservation Society members and supporters and the broader population of Texas History readers. SAGHS joined the 2021 class of honorees that includes distinguished Texas history authors Stephen Harrigan, Stephen Hardin, and Art Martinez de Vara. We want to thank the Conservation Society of San Antonio and its awards committee for this honor.



Pictured from left to right: Rose Aciniega, Katherine Nelson Hall, Larry Luckett and Nancy Brennan.

submitted by Larry Luckett



WELCOME
New Members

Janette Mueller
Karen Mueller

Submitted by Nancy Mabie



Memorials

Ronnie Hunt
Member since 2004
Passed away on March 17, 2021
He is survived by his wife Ann Hunt, also a member and dedicated volunteer

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.

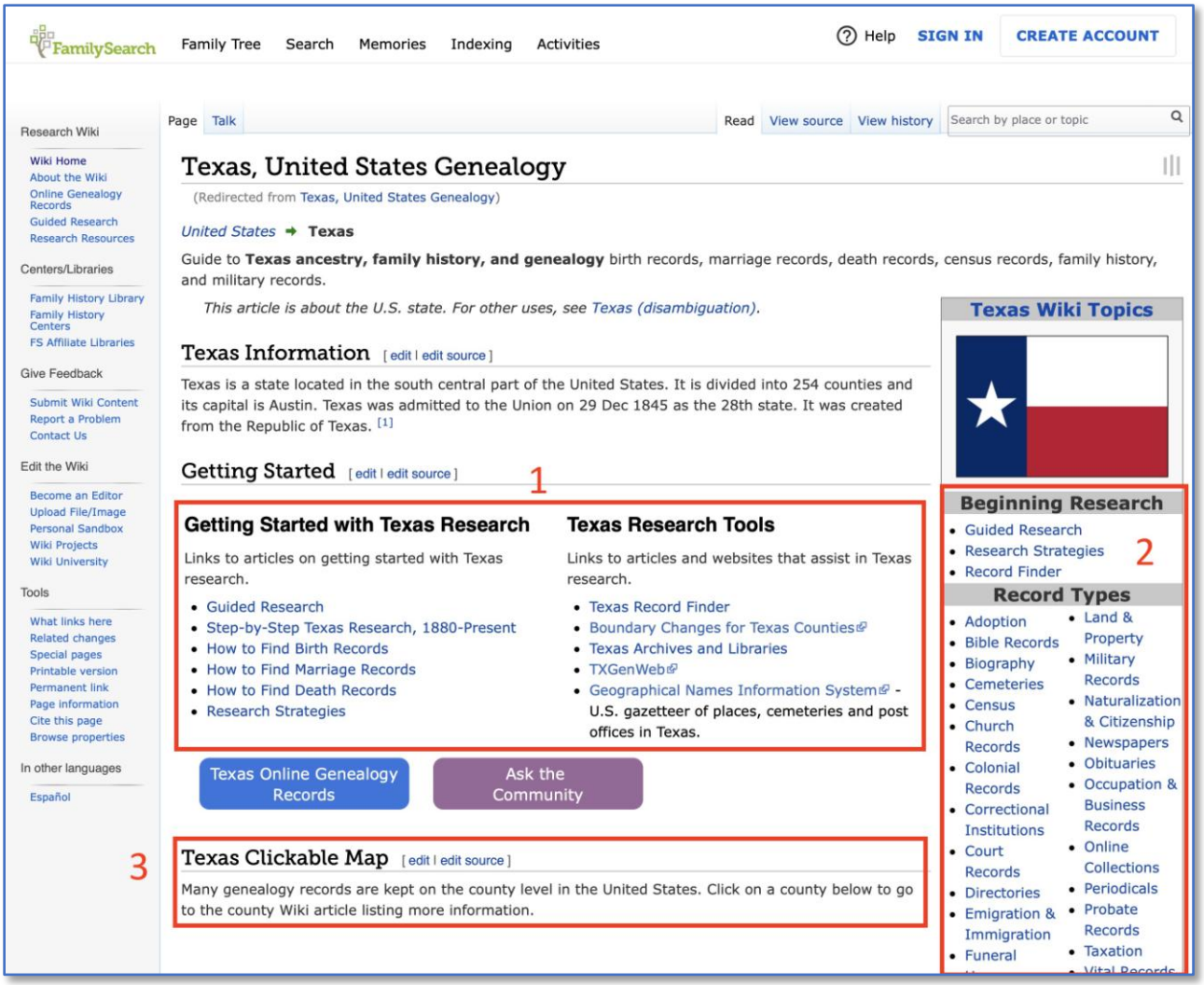
METHODS and SOURCES

by Leslie Tomlinson, CG

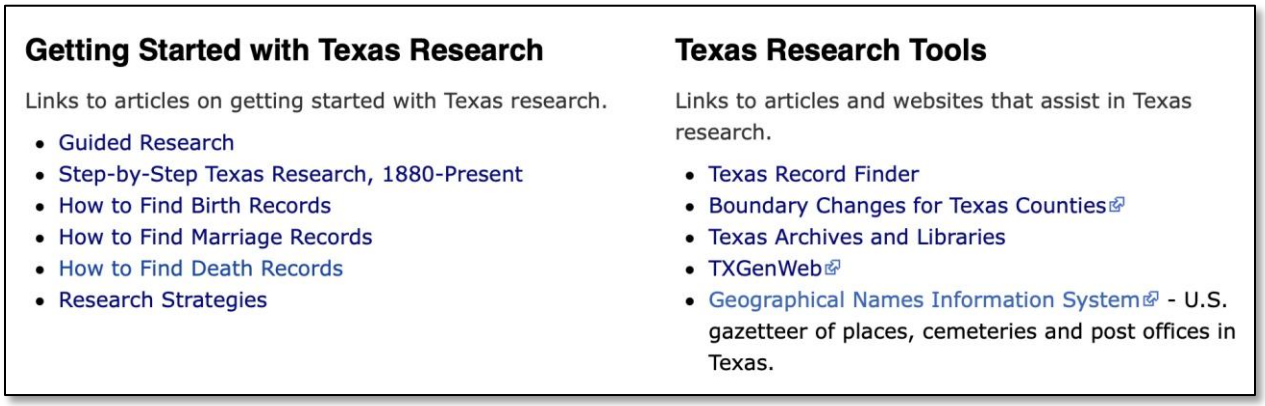
Getting to Know the FamilySearch Wiki

The FamilySearch Wiki is a **free** online guide to genealogy records, websites, databases, and research guidance. Before you begin research in a new area or if you haven't reviewed the wiki in a while, it is a great place to start. Here's the link: https://www.familysearch.org/wiki/en/Main_Page. Search by place or topic, such as "Texas."

Three parts of the page offer different ways to learn more. We'll review them one at a time.



1 — Getting Started



Getting Started with Texas Research

Links to articles on getting started with Texas research.

- Guided Research
- Step-by-Step Texas Research, 1880-Present
- How to Find Birth Records
- How to Find Marriage Records
- How to Find Death Records
- Research Strategies

Texas Research Tools

Links to articles and websites that assist in Texas research.

- Texas Record Finder
- Boundary Changes for Texas Counties
- Texas Archives and Libraries
- TXGenWeb
- Geographical Names Information System - U.S. gazetteer of places, cemeteries and post offices in Texas.

Getting Started with Texas Research

- Guided Research – Provides links to online indexes for birth, marriage, and death records.
- Step-by-Step Texas Research, 1880-Present – Learn how researching records after Texas instituted civil registration of vital records differs from earlier research.
- How to Find Birth Records, How to Find Marriage Records, and How to Find Death Records – By first choosing the time period in which the event occurred, the wiki provides appropriate links to head you down the path to finding your record.
- Research Strategies – Each locality has its idiosyncrasies and this article gives you tips that are especially focused on Texas research.

Texas Research Tools

- Texas Record Finder – This is a valuable tool to use in figuring out what record type will likely give you the information you are looking for. Topics include Vital Events, Maiden Names and Family Members, Immigration and Country of Origin, Residences and Locations, and Personal Details and Affiliation. Sometimes when you are stuck on where to search next, this tool will remind you there is always another place to look.
- Boundary Changes for Texas Counties – To understand where you might find records for your ancestor it is important to learn about county boundary changes that might affect where your ancestor lived. This interactive tool begins with 1834 and ends with 1931.
- Texas Archives and Libraries – A wonderful resource list of online sources, libraries, archives, museums, genealogy and history societies.
- TXGenWeb – A website for all Texas counties maintained by volunteers providing tips, contact information, databases for specific areas, and lots more.
- Geographical Names Information System – U.S. gazetteer of places, cemeteries and post offices in Texas.

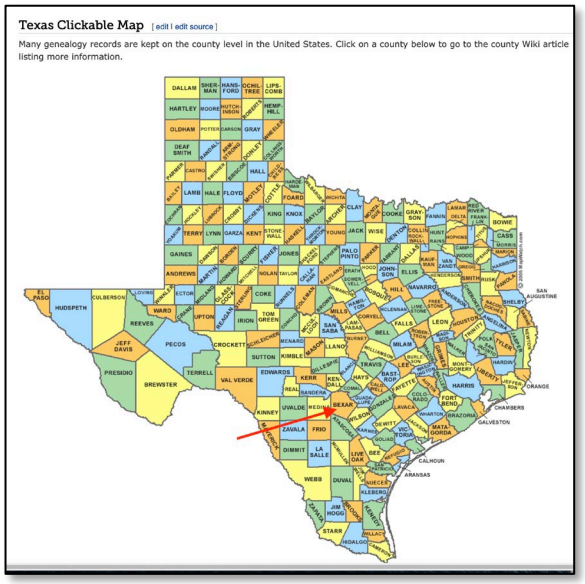
2 — Texas Wiki Topics



Beginning Research – These link to topics discussed above.
Record Types – Comprehensive links take you to individual Texas-based information.
Texas Background – Provides online sources for things such as finding biographies for your ancestor, what to read to expand your knowledge of the state, and the importance of using gazetteers and maps.
Cultural Groups – Texas is composed of various cultural and ethnic groups. Sources are provided for African American, Czech, Indigenous People, Norwegian, and Swedish research, Unfortunately, there is no link to Texas German resources as yet.
Local Research Resources – Archives and Libraries is the same link as described above, a few societies are named, and a map of world-wide Family History Centers is available.

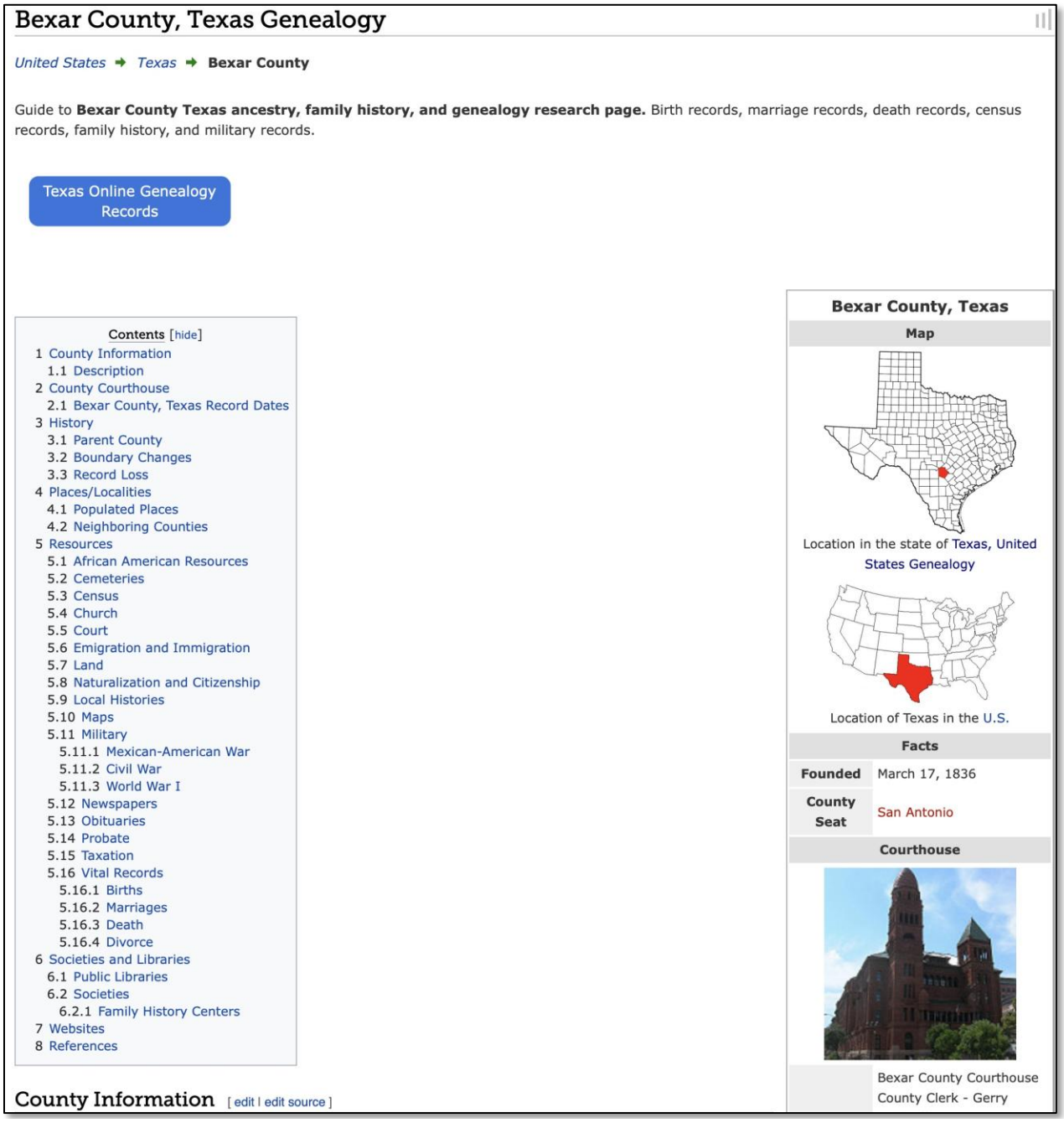
3 — Texas Clickable Map

Click on any county to learn more about the records available at the county level. Clicking on the Bexar link, for example, will take you to a page where you will find resources for finding local records.





Use the links on the left side of the page to deep dive into specific record types. Use the right-side links to learn more about the location and contact information. Scroll down to access information about each of the topics listed on the left side.



Bexar County, Texas Genealogy

United States ➔ Texas ➔ Bexar County

Guide to **Bexar County Texas ancestry, family history, and genealogy research page.** Birth records, marriage records, death records, census records, family history, and military records.

Texas Online Genealogy Records

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Bexar County, Texas

Map

Location in the state of Texas, United States Genealogy

Location of Texas in the U.S.

Facts

Founded	March 17, 1836
County Seat	San Antonio

Courthouse

Bexar County Courthouse
County Clerk - Gerry

County Information [edit | edit source]

Explore using this valuable **free** resource! Check back periodically because records and resources are constantly being added and/or updated. Oh, and did I mention it is **free?**

NEW BOOKS

Call Number	Title	Author	Pub. Year
FH Woodruff	Woodruffs of New Jersey, Who Came from Fordwich, Kent, England, by Way of Lynn, Massachusetts, and Southampton, Long Island	Woodruff, Francis E.	1909
FH Ximenez	Ximenez Family Notes	Morgan, Zipra L. (Compiler)	2007
FH Ximenez	Descendants of Juan Antonio Ximenez	Morgan, Zipra L. (Compiler)	2007
IA davi4	Rise and Progress of Civilization in the Hairy Nation; A Comparative Topical Review of the stages of Progress in the Brief History of Davis County, Iowa	Ethell, Henry C.	1883
IL brow4	Pictorial History of Brown County, Illinois	Brown County Historical Society	1995
IL brow4	Brown County, Illinois, History & Families; 175th Anniversary	Versailles Area Genealogical and Historical Society	2013
IL brow4	History of Brown County, Illinois, 1880-1970	Schuyler Brown Historical and Genealogical Society and The Brown County Board	1972
IN bart4	Bartholomew County, Indiana; Family Histories, Churches & Schools, 1821-1999	Bartholomew County Genealogical Society, Inc.	1999
IN bart4	History of Bartholomew County, Indiana, 20th Century; An Abridged History of Bartholomew County in the Twentieth Century, County Government, Agriculture, County Towns, and Townships, Hope, Education, Architecture, Preservation, and Arts and Entertainment	Bartholomew County Historical Society	2003
IN bart4	History of Bartholomew County Indiana -- 1888: An Annotated edition of the Bartholomew County Section of the 1888 Bartholomew County History Including Biographies, with Addition of new Editor's Notes, Addenda Articles, Old Photographs and Maps	Bartholomew County Historical Society	1976
IN brow4	175 Years of Brown County: The People, the Life, the History: A Pictorial Essay	Cullison, Sherri (ed.)	2011
MA 00004 (17)	Collections of the Massachusetts Historical Society. General History of New England from the Discovery MDCLXXX by Rev. William Hubbard, Vol. V of the 2nd Series	Massachusetts Historical Society	1847
MA esse4	History of Saugus, Massachusetts	Atherton, Horace H., Jr.	1916
MA fran4	Master Index to History of Greenfield, Massachusetts	Thompson, Francis M., Berkshire Genealogist Indexing Committee, and Berkshire Family History Association	2006

Call Number	Title	Author	Pub. Year
MD 00004 (34)	Maryland Regulars in the War of 1812	Johnson, Eric Eugene (Comp.)	2018
ME 00000 (1)	Public Record Repositories in Maine	Maine State Archives	1978
ME 00000 Rare Book	Maine Register or State Year-Book and Legislative Manual from April 1, 1889 to April 1 1890	Donham, G. M.	1889
ME kenn4	History of Wayne, Maine	Anderson, Walter, Woodrow Thompson, Eloise R. and Ault, Patty K. Lincoln	2000
MO lawr8	Lawrence County, Missouri Marriage Records 1870-1881, Volume II	Mieswinkel, Fred, Schmidt, Virginia, and Lawrence County Historical Society	1981
MO lawr8	Lawrence County, Missouri Tombstone Inscriptions, Vineyard, and Mt. Pleasant	Lawrence County Historical Society	1983
MS adam4	Natchez Before 1830	Polk, Noel (editor)	1989
NY 00000 (22)	Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy, Volume III, New York	Hinshaw, William Wade	1969
NY 00004 (20)	In Defiance; Runaways from Slavery in New York's Hudson River Valley, 1735-1831	Stessin-Cohn, Susan and Ashley Hurlburt-Biagini	2016
NY gene4	Index to Gazetteer and Biographical Record of Genesee County, New York, 1788-1890	Beers, F. W.	1997
NY stla4	St. Lawrence County in the War of 1812, Folly and Mischief	Austin, John M.	2013
NY suff4	Study of the 1658 and 1686 Depositions of Thomas Osman and Early History of Hashamomuck in the Town of Southold, Long Island, New York	Baker, Wesley L. and Downs, Arthur Channing	1969
NY suff8	Salmon Records: A Private Register of the Marriages and Deaths of the Residents of the Town of Southold, Suffolk County, NY, and Persons More or Less Closely Associated with that Place	Salmon, William and Robbins, William A.	1918
OH 00000 (10)	Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy, Volume V, Ohio	Hinshaw, William Wade	1973
OH 00004 (12)	Western Reserve; the Story of New Connecticut in Ohio	Hatcher, Harlen	1949
OH 00006 (10)	Short History of Ohio Land Grants	Rhodes, James A.	1960
OH brow4	Histories and Families Brown County, Ohio, 1818-1993	Brown County Historical Society	1972

Notice the two pages of New Books!!

Our team led by Laura Grover and Bev Rakowitz have been busy receiving, cataloging and shelving these books donated by an assortment of kind individuals. These donations are helping our library grow in resources. Stop by our 'New Book" shelf and be amazed by what you may find.

You Ought to Be in Pictures - in the Next *Membership Yearbook*!

The opportunity to have your photo included in the 2021-2022 *Membership Yearbook* is approaching for:

- Members whose photos are not in the 2020-2021 *Membership Yearbook*, but who would like to have their pictures in the 2021-2022 Yearbook.

- Members whose photos are in the 2020-2021 Yearbook, but who would prefer to have a *different* photo in the 2021-2022 Yearbook. If your photo appeared in the 2020-2021 Yearbook and you are *satisfied* with it, *do not send in another photo*.

Members may submit a photo **until 31 July 2021**. For those wishing to stop in at the Dwyer Center to have their photo taken, our in-house photographer, Ray Weiland, will be available to take photos at the Dwyer Center on the following dates from 10 am to 1 pm:

Tuesday 22 June
Saturday 24 July
Tuesday 27 July

Those members who wish to submit a photo of themselves by post or by email need to follow these guidelines:

- Photos must be received no later than 31 July 2021.
  - Any photo received after 31 July will not appear in the 2021-2022 *Membership Yearbook*.
  - Late submittals will be archived and used in future yearbooks.
- Either color or black and white photos may be submitted, even though the member photos will appear in the yearbook in black and white only.
- Member photo should contain head and shoulders only – not a group photo or full body photo.
- Photo should have a solid or uncluttered background. All submitted photos will be changed to a neutral background and converted to black and white.
- No newspaper photos or clippings should be submitted.
- Photos should be reasonably recent (no childhood photos, for example).
- Joint members should each submit a separate photo.
- Mailed-in photos will not be returned unless the member includes a self-addressed, stamped envelope with adequate postage.
- Submitted photos may be used for a five-year period.
- Photos submitted by post should be clearly labeled on the back of the photo with the name of the individual.
- Hard copies of photos should be mailed to SAGHS, 911 Melissa Dr., San Antonio, TX 78213**.**
- Digital photos should be emailed with the subject line "Photo Submission" to **publications@txsaghs.org** and may also be emailed to **cbbrussell@sbcglobal.net**.

Charles B. Brussells
Editor and Graphics Layout,
SAGHS Membership Yearbook

Upcoming Events at SAGHS

Classes are held in the Dwyer Center
(Located at the corner of Blanco & Melissa Dr.)

COVID-19 Restrictions will be followed
Preregister by calling the Library at
210-342-5242 or via email to: *education@txsaghs.org*

Sat., Apr. 3 & 10
DNA Consultation Hour
10, 11 & 12
Annette Graham

Sun., Apr. 4
Easter—Library closed

Sun., Apr. 11
Newspaper Research on the Old Fulton New York Postcards Site
2 pm—4 pm
Steve Mabie

Wed. Apr 14
Family Tree/Wiki Tree Workshop
10 am – noon
Scott Atkinson

Sun., Apr. 18
Brick Walls Presentation
2 pm—4 pm
Stephanie Wells

Meetings

Board Meeting—Sat. Apr. 10 at 10 am
Roosevelt Auditorium

Membership Meeting—Sat. Apr. 17, at 10 am
Roosevelt Auditorium & Zoom
We will be voting for our 2021-2023 slate of Officers:
President: Barbara Froebel; 1st Vice President: Martin Soward; 2nd Vice President: Linda Monts; 3rd Vice President: Ray Weiland; Recording Secretary: William Mabie; and Treasurer: Pat Merk.

San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society

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Library & Class capacities may be restricted due to COVID-19

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

Library Closures:

New Years Day, Easter, Mothers Day, Memorial Day, 3nd Sat in June (Founders' Day), Fathers Day, July 4, Labor Day, 4th Sat in October (Seminar), Christmas Eve & Day. *Early closings on Thanksgiving & New Years Eves.*

And, late Opening: At the end of Membership Meetings.

Genealogy Tidbits

Legacy Family Tree webinars:
To register go to: https://familytreewebinars.com/

Additional details also can be found on the website.

The webinars remain on their website for viewing for 3 days from the air date, in case you miss the date, and are not a Legacy subscriber

Join the 24 hr. Marathon—April 8—9

Sampling of Topics to be covered:

- **Four More Sources for New Zealand Family History**
- **DNA For Dog Lovers**
- **Four Factors Influencing Your DNA Ethnicity Results**
- **Putting Down Roots For Future Generations**
- **Learning More About American Female Ancestors Prior to 1850**
- **Oisyo to Cherokee Ancestry**
- **Record As You Go, Cite As You Go, & File As You Go**
- **Write As You Go! An Methodology for Efficient Report Writing**
- **Surname Slip-Ups, Baffling Beginnings**
- **Leaving A Paper Trail—Other German Sources Besides Church Books and Civil Records**
- **African American Migration North to Canada**
- **Expanding The Details From Published Local Histories**
- **Mother Nature's Impact on Family Migration and Relocation**
- **Organization: The Key to Successful Research**
- **Researching Your Ancestors in the City of Philadelphia**
- **Finding Jewish Records in My Heritage Search Engine**

AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!

Note: All times are stated in Central Time.