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A Member Society Chartered in 1959

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A newsletter to inform members of Society Activities and Library Acquisitions
August 2020



Photo by Neka Scarbrough-Jenkins

President's Message

Here we are halfway through the summer. Time sure flies when you're having fun!

As you know from the last newsletter, our Board decided to have a "virtual" seminar this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We've had three successful virtual General Membership Meetings using the GoToWebinar software, and the benefits of that product far outweigh its competitors, so we have elected to stick with it for the seminar.

The implications of having a virtual seminar versus a live one are many and significant. For one thing, we will not be providing a box lunch, nor will we be purchasing morning and afternoon snacks and refreshments; we will also not have speaker's travel related expenses, or to pay for the rental of a hall. There will, however, be a fee for the software, but this is much smaller than the other expenses. What does this mean to you? For one thing, your cost of "attending" the seminar will go down. This year's cost will be $30 for members and $40 for non-members. Registration for the seminar will open on September 1st. But there are other less obvious impacts as well. We will not be able to have our Seminar Baskets and we will not have our used books available for purchase during the seminar. But the most significant impact from a fund raising perspective is that while we can still have the drawing for our Quilt, we will not be able to sell Quilt tickets on the day of the seminar. In fact, we will have to cut off Quilt ticket sales a week before the seminar. This means that everyone wanting to purchase tickets will have to do so over the next two and a half months. Since many of you still do not want to venture out to our library, starting August 1st, we will accept mail orders for tickets. As a reminder, tickets are $1.00 each. Simply mail a check for the number of tickets you want to buy (with a stamped self-addressed envelope if you want the ticket stubs mailed back to you). Your name will be written on each ticket you purchase, and the drawing will be held during the seminar. Of course, you can also just stop by the library

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SAGHS 2020 Seminar



Our Seminar this year will be a *virtual event*. Our speaker J. Mark Lowe is delighted at the chance to present a virtual seminar to us. He has presented many with other Societies and is happy to work with us.

This promises to be an exciting event and a first for us!

I hope you are all looking forward to **Saturday, October 24th.** Mr. Lowe promises to help us make this the best ever!

Here is a bit of information about Mark:

He is the Coordinator for the IGHR (GGS- Athens GA) Research in the South track, SLIG (UGA) Southern Research (mid-South, Gulf-South) and was awarded the Grahame T. Smallwood Jr. Award by APG in 2007, and a Lifetime Membership Award in 2019.

Mark has published articles and reviews in the Association of Professional Genealogists Quarterly (APGQ), SPEAK! (Genealogical Speakers Guild newsletter), The National Genealogical Society Quarterly (NGSQ), The North Carolina Genealogical Society Quarterly, The Longhunter (Southern KY. Genealogical Society), The Middle Tennessee Genealogical Society Quarterly and other local society publications. His own publications include *Robertson County Tennessee Marriage Book 2, 1859-1873* and *Pioneer Cemetery* (Bowling Green, KY).

He currently hosts a YouTube Channel.

Details & registration information will be coming soon!

"The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails." William Arthur Ward

Other "Seminar' Activities

Used Book Sale will still be held!

On Oct 20, 21, 22 & 23 we will hold the Used Book Sale in the SAGHS Dwyer Center. The plan is to have the listing of books available in advance to the membership, to enable advanced reservations of books allowing for 'curbside pay and pickup', or to facilitate your time looking over our selection. Payment will be required at the time of pickup in either cash or check. Books not picked-up on these dates, will be held in the Library under your name. Reserved books not paid by November 15, will be returned to stock.

Quilt Tickets:

Our expert quilters are diminishing, and we are not sure how many more years we will have the opportunity for future Quilts.

This year's Quilt has an expertly cross-stitched floral design. It fits a Queen size bed. It makes a great addition to any room, or can be given as a present to a loved one.

This may be your
LAST CHANCE!
Tickets are $1.00 each, the winner will be selected during the last break of the virtual seminar, on October 24.



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and purchase tickets from the librarian on duty, with cash or check. Tickets must be purchased no later than **Saturday, October 17th**. Let's work together to make this year's Quilt sales the best ever!

Our next Board Meeting is set for August 8th at 10:00 in the Roosevelt Auditorium of the Dwyer Center. Be safe.

Steve Mabie

Membership Renewal

I am happy to report that more than 75% of our SAGHS members have renewed their membership for the 2020-2021 membership year. To all these members who have already renewed their membership, we thank you!

The following message is for those members who have not yet renewed their memberships:
We really want you back!!! Any member who has not renewed their membership by August 31st, will be removed from our membership rolls and no longer be a SAGHS member in good standing. Don't miss out on the benefits of SAGHS Membership. Dues are only $40 for a single membership or $60 for a joint membership. Your dues can be mailed or dropped off at the SAGHS Library. Or you can pay online using your credit card or PayPal. If paying online, be sure to log into the Members Only section of the website before paying online. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Mabie, Membership Chair, at membership@txsaghs.org.

Submitted by Nancy Mabie

MEMORIALS

Yolanda Kirkpatrick
(30+ year) Member
Died on June 21, 2020.

Martin C. Froebel
Member
Husband of Barbara Froebel
Died on July 17, 2020.

Aleene Walsh
Member
Died on July 25, 2020.

Memorial donations in their names 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.



WELCOME

New Members

Brenda Abed
Kathleen Bowman
Betsy Cooper
Paul Kahl
Jackie Meldrom
John Sacks

Submitted by Nancy Mabie

Seeking Bible Records: Do you have any old Bibles containing records of births, baptisms or marriages of your family? Or perhaps a copy of your family's Bible records? If you do, and if those records have never before been published, SAGHS wants to know. If there is sufficient demand, then SAGHS is considering publishing a book of our members' never before published Bible records. Just send an email to Steve Mabie at: president@txsaghs.org with the subject "Bible Records" and we will see if we can get this moving.

2020 Fiesta Medals Are Now Collectors Items

Get Yours Before They Are Gone



With the decision to cancel Fiesta for 2020, all Fiesta Medals will soon be collector items, commemoration of a Fiesta that never was!

If you have already ordered, please come to the library during regular business hours to pick-up your medal(s).

SAGHS is selling the remainder of our stock on a first come, first served basis.

Cost is $10.00, each.

Requests can be mailed, or purchased directly from the duty librarian during regular business hours. If you would like your medal mailed to you, please add $3.00 to your check.

Mail request with a check to:
SAGHS (Fiesta Medals)
911 Melissa Dr
San Antonio TX 78213-2024

Help Wanted!

Our Registrar role is now redefined. This role will be that of a team leader. This person would be responsible to coordinate the research requests we receive, delegate the research to his/her team members, and coordinate the response to the requestor.

Note: until we can fill this vital role, we will not be able to accept any research requests, which will limit a source of income.

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We are also in need of a Buildings Committee Chairperson.

If interested, please contact Steve Mabie at:

President@txsaghs.org
or call 210-490-9997

Submitted by Steve Mabie

Meetings

Sat. August 8: Board Meeting 10 am
Roosevelt Auditorium

Note: No General Membership Meeting until September.



Make us Smile, when you shop at Amazon!
Login at:

https://smile.amazon.com
and designate SAGHS for Amazon to donate to us.

In Town – Out of Town

If You Are a SAGHS Member,

Send SAGHS Your Portrait!

Although SAGHS in-house photographer will not be available during the month of August to take your portrait at the Dwyer Center, **it is not too late** to **mail** or **email** SAGHS your portrait for inclusion in the upcoming Membership Yearbook. Members may **mail** or **email** their portraits to SAGHS by the **deadline of 31 August**.

The Publications Committee would like to encourage all members who have not yet had their membership photo taken to submit a photographic portrait of themselves via mail or email. SAGHS Publication Committee offers thanks to all who have provided photos, and would like to encourage those members living out of San Antonio to mail or email their photos to us as well, if they have not already done so.

Those members who wish to submit a member photo of themselves by post or by email should note these guidelines –

- **Photos should be received in the required format no later than 31 August 2020.**
- **Photos received after the deadline of 31 August 2020 will be used in the following years.**
- **Member photo should best contain head and shoulders only, preferably with a solid or uncluttered background. All submitted photos will be rendered in the Membership Yearbook with a neutral background after being converted to black and white.**
- **No newspaper photos or clippings.**
- **Photos should be reasonably recent (no childhood photos, for example).**
- **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.**
- **Although member photos will be included in the Membership Yearbook in black-and-white, both color and black-and-white photos will be accepted.**
- **Photos submitted by post should be clearly labeled on the back of the photo with the name of the individual.**
- **Separate photos are required for joint memberships.**
- **Hard copies of photos should be mailed to SAGHS, 911 Melissa Dr., San Antonio, TX 78213-2024.**
- **Digital copies of photos should be emailed to publications@txsaghs.org**

The SAGHS Publications Committee looks forward to your cooperation.

Charles B. Brussells , Editor and layout,

SAGHS Membership Yearbook

San Antonio Genealogical and Historical Society

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

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

Library Closures:
Membership Meeting dates: Library will open after the meeting

New Years Day, Easter, Mothers Day, Memorial Day, 2nd 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.*

Upcoming Events

Classes are in the new classroom in the Dwyer Center
Located at the corner of Blanco & Melissa Dr. next to the Library, except where noted.

COVID-19 Restrictions are in effect.
Pre-register in person during Library Hours or via email to:
education@txsaghs.org
WALK-INS MAY BE TURNED AWAY

Saturday August 1
DNA Consultation Hour
10, 11, and noon
(limit 1 per hour)
Annette Graham

Saturday August 8
DNA Consultation Hour
10, 11, and noon
(limit 1 per hour)
DNA Class
2 pm—4 pm
Annette Graham

Wednesday August 12
Family Tree Maker/Wikitree
10 am—noon
(Class limit is 6)
If interested send a request to:
S.atkinson@ieee.org

For up to date information about cancellations, please go to our website: https://txsaghs.org

San Antonio
GENEALOGICAL AND HISTORICAL SOCIETY
founded 1959

Membership Application

Membership Year July 1 through June 30

New Members may join SAGHS at a prorated fee Jan 1- June 30 (1/2 regular dues)
Former Members are eligible for the prorated fee only if they have not been members of SAGHS for one full year (July 1 – June 30) prior to rejoining SAGHS

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY ☐ **New Member** ☐ **Current Member** ☐ **Former Member**

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP

☐ Single - one year for $40.00
☐ Joint one year for $60.00
(note Joint Membership is for maximum of 2 individuals at one address)
☐ Subscription - one year for $25.00 [Journal and Newsletter only]
☐ Student – one year for $25.00 (Use of library and Newsletter only)

Single Member or Primary Joint Member		**Secondary Joint Member**	
Prefix: ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. ☐ Miss ☐ Dr. **Gender:** ☐ M ☐ F **Name:**		**Prefix:** ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. ☐ Miss ☐ Dr. **Gender:** ☐ M ☐ F **Name:**	
Preferred Name/ Nickname:	**Maiden Name:**	**Preferred Name//Nickname:**	**Maiden Name:**
DOB: (at least month & day)		**DOB:** (at least month & day)	
E-Mail:		**E-Mail:**	
Phone Number: ( ) ☐ Home Phone ☐ Cell Phone		**Phone Number: ( )** ☐ Home Phone ☐ Cell Phone	
Occupation / Retired from:		**Occupation / Retired from:**	
My skills as a genealogist are at the following level: ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced		**My skills as a genealogist are at the following level:** ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced	

Household Mailing Address:

Would you be willing to volunteer your time to the Society ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, what skills, talents & interests do you wish to share?

Do you want to receive the SAGHS Journal *Our Heritage?* ☐ Yes ☐ No

For SAGHS use only Date: Check #: Amount Paid:

Bring or Mail this form with your check to: SAGHS, 911 Melissa Dr., San Antonio, Texas 78213-2024

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