

South Texas Researcher

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Introduction

Note: the *South Texas Researcher* is also now available at <http://www.mysapl.org/texana.aspx> on the San Antonio Public Library's web site. Backfiles will soon be added.

Please remember that the purpose of this newsletter is to keep librarians, historians, archivists, genealogists, archaeologists, and those in other allied fields informed of what is going on that may be helpful in these fields so they may pass this information on to other interested parties in their locations.

South Texas is being broadly defined as beginning in Val Verde County in the west; moving east to Austin (Travis County); and then southeast through Caldwell, Lavaca, Jackson, and Calhoun counties to the Gulf of Mexico.



I am willing to include important events or acquisitions from other areas, in some instances, if they may be of particular usefulness to those in our area. News from our neighboring Mexican states of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, and Coahuila would also be welcome.

If you have items you or your organization would like others to know about, please e-mail the address at the end of this newsletter.

Feel free to forward this communication to anyone who might be interested.

Thank you!

Texana/Genealogy Classes

Texana/Genealogy May - July 2013

Computer Class Schedule at the San Antonio Central Library

Programs are free and held at the San Antonio Central Library, 600 Soledad, San Antonio, Texas, 78205. One hour free parking. E-mail: genealogydesk@sanantonio.gov

Registration is required for computer classes. To register or for information please call the Texana/Genealogy Department at (210) 207-2500 (ask for Texana) or E-mail: genealogydesk@sanantonio.gov

TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2013

2:00 – 3:30 P.M.

[American Ancestors](#)

Although this database is maintained by The New England Historic Genealogical Society, it has recently expanded its coverage to include states outside New England. It provides online access to such resources as Massachusetts vital records through 1910 and New York Probate Records, 1787-1835. If you have family in New England and the Middle Atlantic areas, you'll want to see what this website has to offer.

Texana/Genealogy Classes

Classes at Branch Libraries

Classes are FREE and open to the public. For information call 207-2500 (ask for Genealogy) or email us at: genealogydesk@sanantonio.gov.

At Igo Branch

TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2013, 2:00 – 4:00 P.M.

Writing for Your Life: Tips for Beginning Your Memoir

Whether you want to write a memoir for publication or just for your family, this workshop will help you get started. We will begin the session by talking about the importance of choosing a focus and writing for an audience. We will also discuss narrative structure and character development as it applies to creative nonfiction. You will have a chance to write during the workshop so that you leave with the beginning of an outline for the story of your life.

News and Calendar of Events



SOUTHWEST VAQUEROS

Southwest Vaqueros is a Corral (Chapter) of Westerners International

The Parent Organization was founded some seven decades ago by Leland Case and friends in Chicago. To learn more about our parent organization visit <http://www.westerners-international.org>.

Southwest Vaqueros was founded by Al Lowman and his friends when he was a researcher and writer for the Institute of Texan Cultures. Among his friends were John Woodhull and Charlie Schreiner III. Until recently we held our meetings at various restaurants in Northeast Bexar County. If you are curious about local, Texas, Western history and folklore we might have what interests you plus great fellowship. We attract all disciplines (and lack of discipline) in everything from archaeology, the arts, including music up through zoology. Some of us are academic and some are not, just buffs. Quite a few are writers, and everybody reads and loves books, including people like Al Lowman, who was obsessed with the printed word. His personal library and collection are now housed in the Cushing Library at the TAMU campus.

For the present we meet at 6:30 PM at Papa Dante's on the third Tuesday of every other month since March and May. Dr. Steve Tomka spoke on Recent Digs in Brackenridge Park in May. Speaker meetings are planned for July and September until our membership is revived with younger blood. No dues are due for now, so the only cost is transportation and your wonderful meal. Tolerance of the elderly is appreciated at this time until we can choose up some younger mavericks... If you don't have a computer, call our irksome Sheriff (president) and Scribe (Secretary) at **210-418-4087** and it is reported that he checks his voicemail. His e-mail address is jltolleeson@sbcglobal.net.

PAPA DANTE'S IS LOCATED EAST OF I35 AND SOUTH OF 1604 WHERE TOEPPERWEIN ROAD INTERSECTS FM1976 BY THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRACKS IN CONVERSE.

On July 17th we hope to celebrate the life and legend of Al Lowman. In September, we hope to listen to Becky Crouch Patterson, Hondo and Schatzie's daughter, talk about her book: "The Ranch That Was Us." If a miracle occurs later in the Fall, we hope to get Lionel Sosa to speak on his recent book: "The Children of the Revolution."



Los Bexareños Genealogical and Historical Society

Meetings are normally held at 9:30 a.m. every first Saturday of the month on the first floor, Main Auditorium, of the San Antonio Public Library, 600 Soledad Street, San Antonio, Texas. Visitors are always welcome to attend. Membership is not required. Speakers at the meetings are people with a passion for history, professional historians, genealogists, archaeologists and researchers.

Meeting of June 1, 2013

Date: June 1, 2013

Speaker: Maria Teresa Everett

Topic: The Guanche Connection to the Canary Islanders

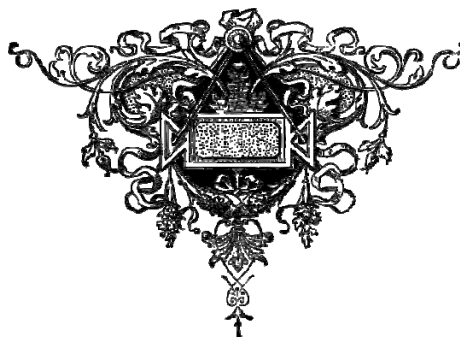
Maria Teresa Everett was born in San Diego, Duvall County Texas. She worked for Northside ISD. as a bilingual teacher and ESL Teacher. She retired in 2000 and at this time started working on Genealogy. Maria has has three children and one grand child. She will be speaking on the Guanche connection to the Canary Islanders. She is going to talk about Capt. Bernabé de de las Casas and Capt. Francisco Baez de Benavides.

Help for the beginning genealogist.

In November, 2009, the Society rented a building on the campus of Holy Rosary Parish to house our Library. The Parish is located at 159 Camino Santa Maria just north of Culebra Rd. The Library is manned by volunteers on Saturdays, except the 1st Saturday of the month. The hours are 10:00am to 2:00pm. There is no charge to use the Library and one need not be a member of the Society.

The Society assists individuals in getting started with genealogical research through beginner's workshops. Beginners also receive assistance from the more experienced members of the Society. Contact one of the following individuals by email or phone to schedule an appointment:

Dennis Moreno	210-647-5607	dennis.moreno@sbcglobal.net
Yolanda Patino	210-434-3530	patinogil@sbcglobal.net



New in Genealogy

Guide to Published Genealogies in the Library of the NEHGS.

[016.9291 New England]

Italians to America, Vols. 27-28 (June 1904 – Apr. 1905). [353.7 Italians]

Emigration from the United Kingdom to America, Vols. 11-14 (July 1875 – Dec. 1879), 16 (June 1880 – Dec. 1880). [353.7 Emigration]

Genealogist's Handbook for New England Research (5th Ed.).

[929.1 Genealogist's]

History for Genealogists: Using Chronological Timelines. Jacobson, Judy.

[929.1072 Jacobson]

Surnames of North West Ireland. Mitchell, Brian. [929.4 Mitchell]

Huguenot and Scots Links, 1575-1775. Dobson, David. [941.1 Huguenot]

Tracing Your Irish Ancestors (4^h Ed.). Grenham, John. [941.5 Grenham]

Searching for Flemish (Belgian) Ancestors. Goethals, Jozef. [949.3 Goethals]

Cherokee Citizenship Commission Dockets: 1880-1884 & 1887-1889, Vols. 2, 3, 4, 5. [970.1 Cherokee]

Companions of Champlain: Founding Families of Quebec, 1608-1635.

Larson, Denise R. [971.4 Larson]

German Element in the Northeast [Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey & New England]. Koerner, Gustav. [974 Koerner]

Bland County, Virginia, Court Order Book, 1884-1891, Bogle, Parke.

[975.5 Bland]

Free Negroes Registered in the Clerk's Office, Botetourt County, Virginia, 1802-1836, Boyd-Rush, Dorothy. [975.5 Botetourt]

Botetourt County, Virginia, Marriages, 1770-1853. Vogt, John and T. William Kethley, Jr. [975.5 Botetourt]

Buckingham County, Virginia, Land Tax Summaries & Implied Deeds, Vol. 3, 1841-1870. Ward, Roger G. [975.5 Buckingham]

New in Texana

Black Churches in Texas. McQueen, Clyde. [277.6408 McQueen]

Sancho's Journal: Exploring the Political Edge with the Brown Berets.
Montejano, David. [305.89687 Montejano]

Maria's Journey. Arredondo, Ramon & Trisha. [305.89687 Arredondo]

Help Me To Find My People: The African American Search for Family Lost in Slavery. Williams, Heather A. [306.36209 Williams]

More Than a Farmer's Wife: Voices of American Farm Women, 1910-1960.
Lauters, Amy Mattson. [338.1082 Lauters]

Images of America: Fort Sam Houston. Manguso, John. [355.70976 Manguso]

Texas Politics and Greed. McSwain, Ross & Harold Byler. [364.1323 McSwain]

"Bobbed Wire" Bible, Vols. 4 & 5. Glover, Jack. [671.81 Glover]

Hand Forged For Texas Cowboys. House, Kurt. [682 House]

Américo Paredes: Culture and Critique. Limón, José E.[813.54 Paredes]

The Children of the Revolution: How the Mexican Revolution Changed America. [972.0816 Children]

The Indian in Frontier News. Kelton, Elmer. [973.0497 Kelton]

Lady Bird Johnson: An Oral History. Gillette, Michael L. [973.923 Johnson]

Texas Rangers, a Registry and History. Ivey, Darren L. [976.4 Ivey]

Texas Proceedings of the Convention of Texas Veterans Held at Houston May 13-15, 1873. [976.402 Proceedings]

Let the People In: The Life and Times of Ann Richards. Reid, Jan.
[976.4068 Richards]

First United Pentecostal Church of Orange, Texas. [976.4147 First]

Austin County, Republic of Texas, Marriage Records, 1824-1835. Crabtree,
Oradell. [976.4252 Crabtree]

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Witte Museum

**3801 Broadway
San Antonio, Texas 78209
(210) 357-1900**

Dinosaurs Unearthed: Bigger, Better, Feathered
23 February 2012 to 2 September 2013

Wanderlust: From German to Texan
2 February 2013 to 9 June 2013

Patriotism and Pageantry: Witte Honors the Military
18 April 2013 to 18 August 2013

McNay Art Museum

**6000 North New Braunfels
San Antonio, Texas 78209
(210) 824-5368**

The America of Grant Wood and Thomas Hart Benton
29 May 2013 to 8 September 2013

Norman Rockwell: Behind the Camera
5 June 2013 to 1 September 2013

San Antonio Museum of Art

**200 West Jones Ave
San Antonio, TX 78215
(210) 978-8100**

*PASIÓN POPULAR: Spanish and Latin American Folk Art from the Cecere
Collection*
6 April 2013 – 18 August 2013

The Jameel Prize: Art Inspired by the Islamic Tradition
24 May 2013 – 11 August 2013

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Library Guides from Texana/Genealogy

The Texana/Genealogy department now has a presence on the San Antonio Public Library's website, www.mysapl.org. Go to the website, click on "Services," and scroll down to Texana/Genealogy. There you will find our blog, back issues of the *South Texas Researcher* (directly at <http://www.mysapl.org/texana.aspx>), our upcoming classes, and some of our "guides."

The **Library Guides** are subject bibliographies with a current twist—databases, websites, event schedule, blogs, as well as books. The department now has the following guides on the library's website under "Resources."

Cemeteries	Hispanic Genealogical Research
Civil War	Jewish Genealogy
Civil War in Texas	King James Bible
Death	Local History
Family History	Special Collections
La Meri	Texas History
World War I (NEW)	The Wild West

San Antonio Genealogical & Historical Society

In addition to Beginner and Intermediate Genealogy classes, The San Antonio Genealogical & Historical Society is offering it's Sunday afternoon How to Find Out Who You Are classes. Classes are \$5.00 for members, \$10 for non-members Call 210/342-5242 for reservations or email saghs@sbcglobal.net. Classes are held in the library annex, behind the library.

With over 16,500 volumes, 600 + maps, a large vertical file collection and internet access to several great databases, the SAG&HS Library is one of the best private repositories of genealogical and historical material in South Texas.

The Library is located @ 911 Melissa Drive, off Blanco Rd, outside loop 410 and is open Monday 10-4, Wed. 10 am-9:00 pm, Sat. 10-4, Sunday 1-5. Members research free. Non-members may research for a \$5.00 donation per day. Tours of the library are free. For more information, visit www.rootsweb.com/~txsaghs2

DO YOU HAVE A CONFEDERATE ANCESTOR?



The period 2010-2015 is being observed as the Sesquicentennial of the War Between the States.

Now is the time to join the Sons of Confederate Veterans and honor your ancestor and his heritage.

The San Antonio Civil War Roundtable

The San Antonio Civil War Roundtable (SACWRT) is a non-profit group that promotes the study of the American "Civil War". The Sesquicentennial of the War is being observed from 2010 to 2015. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month to discuss topics about the War. We meet at Grady's BBQ, 6510 San Pedro Avenue at the intersection with Jackson-Keller Road. The group gathers at 6 PM to eat and visit, with the speaker and discussion at 7:00 P.M.

We are seeking to grow the group by recruiting new members and speakers. Please visit one of the meetings to see if this group might be of interest to you. For further information contact Richard Brewer at 210-490-8827 or by email rbrewer@sbcglobal.net.

We look forward to having you attend our meetings and become an active member.

THE ALAMO CITY GUARDS CAMP #1325

MEETS ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH AT 6 P.M. AT GRADY'S BARBECUE, 6510 SAN PEDRO AVENUE AT THE INTERSECTION WITH JACKSON-KELLER ROAD.

Visitors are always welcome. Come see if this may be an organization that interests you.

Contact Commander Russ Lane, alamocamp@yahoo.com, 210-491-0676 for additional information and eligibility requirements

WWW.ALAMOCITYGUARDS.COM

Genealogy programs for the iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch.

If you own an iPad, iPhone or an iPod Touch, wouldn't you like to carry your genealogy database with you? Not only can you do that, but you even have many different genealogy programs to choose from. All of them can be downloaded and installed within seconds from the iPhone App Store. However, you do need to choose carefully as several of the programs will only work in conjunction with specific desktop genealogy programs. Others work only with online databases.

Here are some links and reviews to available genealogy programs for the iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch:

http://blog.eogn.com/eastmans_online_genealogy/2010/11/genealogy-programs-for-the-iphone-ipod-touch-and-ipad.html



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September 2013 by 15 August