



South Texas Researcher

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Texana / Genealogy



San Antonio Public Library Texana / Genealogy

Find Texana / Genealogy online by visiting mysapl.org/texana. Here you will find the *On this day in San Antonio* blog, past issues of *South Texas Researcher*, information about upcoming classes and guides to help you in your genealogy research.

Texana / Genealogy Department is located on the sixth floor of the Central Library, 600 Soledad 78205. The department is open to the public Tuesdays through Saturdays:

Tuesday	12:00pm - 8:00 pm
Wednesday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Thursday	12:00pm - 8:00 pm
Friday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am - 5:00 pm

For information about appointments, call 210.207.2500.



Library Guides from Texana / Genealogy

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
- Civil War
- Civil War in Texas
- Death
- Family History
- Hispanic Genealogical Research
- Jewish Genealogy
- King James Bible
- La Meri
- Local History
- Texas History

Events & Classes



fold3

The Fold3 database collections feature documents, many never before available on the Internet, relating to the Revolutionary War, Civil War, World War I, World War II, United States Presidents, historical newspapers, naturalization documents, Native American records, and other topics. Registration is required.



Tuesday, December 2 at 2:00 pm

Central Library Texana
600 Soledad 78205

Call 210.207.2500 for more information. (Ask for Texana/Genealogy)



Trimming Your Family Tree

Join us and start learning how to decorate your family tree! Get tips on where to start your research and learn about the information you will find in courthouses, archives and even your own San Antonio Public Library!

Tuesday, December 2 at 6:30pm

Central Library Auditorium
600 Soledad St. 78205

Call 210.207.2500 (ask for Genealogy)



New Publications



Applications for Enrollment of Choctaw Newborn, Act of 1905
(GENEALOGY 970.1 CHOCTAW)

Coffins of the Brave: Lake Shipwrecks of the War of 1912
(GENEALOGY 973.525 COFFINS)

A Brief of Wills and Marriages in Montgomery and Fincastle Counties, Virginia, 1733-1831
(GENEALOGY 975.5 MONTGOMERY)

Unionists and the Civil War experience in the Shenandoah Valley, Volumes 1, 5, 6
(GENEALOGY 975.5 UNIONIST)

Bringing the Law to Texas: Crime and Violence in Nineteenth Century Texas
(TEXANA 976.4 HATLEY)

Captain Ransom, Texas Ranger: An American Hero, 1874-1918
(TEXANA 976.4061 RANSOM)

Captain W.W. Withenbury's 1838-1842 Red River reminiscences
(TEXANA 976.66 WITENBURY)

Community Partners



Los Bexareños Genealogical and Historical Society

Meetings are normally held at 9:30 a.m. at the Central Library Auditorium. Visitors are welcome to attend. Membership is not required. Speakers at the meetings are people with a passion for history, professional historians, genealogists, archaeologists and researchers.

For the November Meeting

Date: Dec. 6, 2014

Speaker: Jelain Chubb

Topic: Collections at the Texas State Library and Archives
Every Family Historian Should Know About

Jelain Chubb joined the Texas State Library and Archives Commission in June 2010 as director of the Archives and Information Services Division and Texas State Archivist. She oversees the commission's public service areas: the Texas State Archives, the Reference and Information Center, the Texas Family Heritage Research Center, and the Sam Houston Regional Library and Research Center. As state archivist, she is responsible for ensuring that permanent records documenting Texas' history as a colony, province, republic and state are preserved for future generations. She also is charged with leading efforts to expand public access to historical documents, photographs, maps and other materials and integrating primary source materials into educational curricula.

Jelain came to Austin after serving as state archivist of Ohio for the Ohio Historical Society, based in Columbus. She also served as administrative archivist for the Missouri State Archives, and held positions with the Kansas and South Carolina historical societies. A South Carolina native, she earned her bachelor's degree in history and political science from the

College of Charleston, and master's degrees in library and information science and applied history with a specialization in archival administration, both from the University of South Carolina at Columbia. She is a Certified Archivist and Certified Records Manager.

Note: *****The Library/Resource Center will close on Saturday, Nov 29, 2014, for the Thanksgiving Weekend. *****

Help for the Beginning Genealogist

Beginning in 2009, Los Bexareños Genealogical and Historical Society opened an office on the campus of Holy Rosary Parish to house its library. The Parish is located at 159 Camino Santa Maria (next to St. Mary's University).

The Library is open Saturdays, except the first Saturday of the month from 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 beginners 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 Patiño	210.434.3530	patinogil@sbcglobal.net



Southwest Vaqueros Third Tuesday Meetings

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. His personal library and collection are now housed in the Cushing Library at the TAMU campus. Southwest Vaqueros is a Corral of [Westerners International](#).

**SOUTHWEST
VAQUEROS**

Third Tuesday of the month, 6:30pm

Papa Dante's Italian Restaurant
8607 FM 1976
Converse, TX 78109

Call 210.418.4087 or email jtolleson@sbcglobal.net for more information.



San Antonio Genealogical & Historical Society

In addition to Beginner and Intermediate Genealogy classes, the San Antonio Genealogical & Historical Society is offering its Sunday afternoon *How to Find Out Who You Are* classes. Cost is \$5.00 for members, \$10 for non-members. Call 210.342.5242 or email saghs@sbcglobal.net for reservations.

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 San Antonio Genealogical & Historical Society Library is located at 911 Melissa Drive, off Blanco Rd, outside Loop 410 and is open Monday 10am - 4pm, Wednesday 10 am -9pm, Saturday 10am - 4pm and Sunday 1 - 5pm. 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.



Two Women Look West:
Photographs of King Ranch
by Helen C. Freberg
& Toni Frissell

Exhibit runs through
January 4



American Masters from the
Collection of Janet and Joe
Westheimer
20 Aug. through 14 Dec. 2014

Manet to Gauguin
3 Sept. through 4 Jan. 2015

Intimate Impressionism
3 Sept. through 4 Jan. 2015

School at Sunset Hills
20 Aug. through 4 Jan. 2015

Artists Take the Stage
24 Aug. through 25 Jan. 2015



San Antonio Museum of Art

An Exhibition of Chinese
Ceramics in Honor of
Walter F. Brown
October 2014 through
January 4

Raíces Americanas: Recent
Acquisitions of Pre-Columbian
Art

October 2014 through
February 2015

TX13: Spotlight on Texas
Artists in the Contemporary
Collection
Running through
November 9

News



Lind Street Research Publishes a New Guide for finding German Military Records for the former Kingdom of Hanover

INVERNESS, ILLINOIS, August 1, 2014 - Teresa Steinkamp McMillin, Certified Genealogist and German research expert, is proud to announce the publication of **Guide to Hanover Military Records, 1514-1866**, on Microfilm at the Family History Library. Military records for the former Kingdom of Hanover in Germany can include a soldier's date and place of birth, his father's name, and widows' pensions. This publication is the only English-language guide to

this gold mine of information for genealogists. With this guide, a researcher can quickly determine all available records for a regiment and time period and know where to find them in the Family History Library's (FHL) microfilm holdings in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The records in this collection span 130 rolls of FHL microfilm and go beyond simply listing names of soldiers. In addition to the typical details in the muster rolls, transfers to and from other companies provide clues to additional muster rolls to review. The many other types of records in this collection include regimental journals, pension data, marriage consents, field church books, and even horse muster rolls, including physical descriptions of the horses and the names of the soldiers who rode them, and much, much more.

Easy to use, this guide is organized chronologically and includes brief historical overviews at the beginning of each major section. The book explains the history of the former Kingdom of Hanover and includes a detailed explanation of how to use this guide, demonstrated with examples.

This guide book is a must-have for anyone researching ancestors from the former Kingdom of Hanover in Germany.

"McMillin has produced a thorough, detailed guide to the soldiers' records, geography, and military history of the Kingdom of Hanover. Her book is the key that unlocks the puzzle of which microfilm your ancestor's military record is found among the 130 Hanover military microfilms at the Family History Library." -- Ernest Thode

"Until now this collection has hardly been touched by family historians, mostly because of the difficulties associated with locating the...microfilms. It's an incredibly helpful work." - Baerbel Johnson

"The 400+ pages of this guide will save any genealogical or historical researcher dozens of frustrating hours trying to find valuable information in this collection. Although painstakingly detailed, it is ridiculously easy to use." -- Michael Lacopo

Teresa Steinkamp McMillin, Certified Genealogist has had a life-long passion for genealogy. In 2006, Teresa founded Lind Street Research, a company dedicated to helping clients trace their German ancestry. Since then, she has helped many people discover their family history. Teresa also writes family history books and is a popular speaker for local and national genealogical societies, sharing her knowledge with the genealogical community.

Visit www.hanovermilitary.com for more details

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Collin County, Texas, Clerk's Office wins National Recognition for "Genealogy Corner"

Collin County Clerk Stacey Kemp and her staff have been awarded the 2014 Best Practices Award from the National Association of County Recorders, Elections Officials and Clerks (NACRC), according to county officials. The award was for Genealogy Corner, an online, publicly accessible archive that offers a wide variety of online research tools for anyone interested in the history of Collin County.

More than 8,000 licenses, dating from 1884 to 1949, have been scanned and indexed, and are now searchable online, including:

- Historical marriage licenses, dating back to 1864
- School Census records, 150,000 records dating back to 1941
- Complete listing of Collin County elected officials, both past and present
- Birth indexes, dating back to 1903 with some delayed birth records from the 1800s
- Death indexes, dating back to 1903
- Marriage indexes, dating back to 1864
- Collin County Facts: Did you know?
- Interactive Cemeteries locator
- Men and Women from Collin County in the Armed Forces during World War II

According to the announcement from the NACRC, the three-year project, involving the scanning and cataloguing of thousands of documents, has resulted in a treasure trove of information for genealogists and historical researchers that is accessible from any computer 24/7.

Prior to Genealogy Corner, citizens were required to either visit or call the County Clerk's office, both requiring an inordinate amount of customer and staff time to try to find desired historical information.

Click here to access Collin County Clerk's Office's ["Genealogy Corner."](#)



The South Texas Researcher is a publication of the San Antonio Public Library Texana/Genealogy department. For more information, or to submit program information for an upcoming issue, email genealogydesk@sanantonio.gov by the deadline provided:

- January 2015 by December 15
- February 2015 by January 15
- March 2015 by February 15

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