



South Texas Researcher

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Texana / Genealogy



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



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
- HeritageQuest Online
- Hispanic Genealogical Research
- Jewish Genealogy
- King James Bible
- La Meri
- Local History
- Texas History
- The Wild West
- Special Collections
- World War I



Growing Your Family Tree: Beginning Genealogy Research

Learn how to begin researching your family tree! We'll discuss the information you can find online and in courthouses, cemeteries, archives and your own San Antonio Public Library! Registration is required.

Tuesday, 12 November, 1:00 p.m.

Central Library Auditorium
600 Soledad 78205
210.207.2500 (ask for Genealogy)



Native American Genealogy

Join us as Ramon Juan Vasquez, member of the Tap Pilam Coahuiltecan and Executive Director of the American Indians in Texas at the Spanish Colonial Missions, as he shows how to track your Native American roots.

Saturday, 18 Nov. 2017, 1:00 p.m.

Latino Collection and Resource Center
600 Soledad 78205
210.207.2500
2hr. 55 min Free parking



New Publications

Cedulario del Archivo de Mina, Nuevo Leon: Ramo de Justicia, 1828-1949
GENEALOGY 016.97213 LOZANO DE SALAS

Journal of Spanish, Portuguese and Italian Crypto-Jews
GENEALOGY 909.04924 JOURNAL V. 7

The Sephardic Jews of Spain and Portugal: Survival of an Imperiled Culture in the
Fifteenth and Sixteenth Centuries
GENEALOGY 949.00492 SLOAN

Choctaw By Blood Enrollment Cards, 1898-1914
GENEALOGY 970.1 BOWEN V. 2-7

Los Protocolos de la Villa de Nuestra Señora Santa Anna de Camaro, 1762-1809
GENEALOGY 972.12 RAMIREZ

Libro de Matrimonios de Reynosa
GENEALOGY 972.12 REYNOSA

Personajes de Nuevo Leon: Y Algunos de Otras Partes
GENEALOGY 972.13 CAVAZOS GARZA

Bautismos Del Sagrario Metropolitano Catedral: Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico
GENEALOGY 972.13 MONTERREY V. 1-4

Strike the Blow for Freedom: The 6th United States Colored Infantry in the Civil War
GENEALOGY 973.7415 PARADIS

Mayflower Families Through Five Generations: Descendants of the Pilgrims Who Landed
at Plymouth, Mass., Dec. 1620
GENEALOGY 974 MAYFLOWER V. 21 PT. 2

Abstracts of the Debt Books of the Provincial Land Office of Maryland: Somerset County
GENEALOGY 975.2 SOMERSET V. 1-3

Wills and Administration of Southampton County, Virginia, 1775-1800
GENEALOGY 975.5 SOUTHAMPTON V. 2

Laying the Hoe: A Century of Iron Manufacturing in Stafford County, Virginia: With
Genealogical Notes on Over 300 Families
GENEALOGY 975.5 STAFFORD

Georgia Free Person of Color
GENEALOGY 975.8 PORTS V. 1-4

Land Hunger: David L. Payne and the Oklahoma Boomers
GENEALOGY 976.6 RISTER

Land Deed Genealogy of DeKalb County, Tennessee, 1885-1990
GENEALOGY 976.8 DEKALB v. 3

Washington County, Tennessee Superior Court Minutes, 1791-1804
GENEALOGY 976.8 WASHINGTON

The Provincial Deputation in Mexico: Harbinger of Provincial Autonomy Independence
and Federalism
TEXANA 328.72 BENSON

Zachry Holdings, Inc: The First 90 Years
TEXANA 338.7624 RODENGEN

The Crime Buff's Guide to Outlaw Texas
TEXANA 364.10976 FRANCELL

Texas Turtles & Crocodilians: A Field Guide
TEXANA 597.92097 HIBBITTS

The Crown Jewel: The Story of the First 50 Years of the University of Texas Health Science
Center in San Antonio
TEXANA 610.71176 SANSOM

From Tea Cakes to Tamales: Third-Generation Texas Recipes
TEXANA 641.59764 McKEY

Bartlett Cocke, General Contractors: The First 50 years, 1959 to 2009
TEXANA 720.9764 COCKE

Lila Cockrell Theatre Renovation 2010
TEXANA 792.025 LILA

Karagoz: "In Other Words"
TEXANA 808.81 KARAGOZ

Oral Memories of Sichan Siv: An Interview
TEXANA 959.6042 SIV

The Treasure Album of Pancho Villa
TEXANA 972.081 RASCOE

Fighting With Ross' Texas Cavalry Brigade, C.S.A.
TEXANA 973.73092 GRISCOM

Texas Civil War Museum: Fort Worth, Texas
TEXANA 973.74 TEXAS

They Came From the Sky: The Spanish Arrive in Texas: A Preview of a Forthcoming History
of Texas
TEXANA 976.4 HARRIGAN

Eyewitness of the Alamo
TEXANA 976.403 GRONEMAN

Corpus Christi: 100 Years
TEXANA 976.4113 CORPUS

The Archaeology of Engagement: Conflict and Revolution in the United States
TEXANA 976.4141 ARCHAEOLOGY

Zapata County Marriage Records: 1982-2007
TEXANA 976.4483 QUEZADA

Why the Raven Calls the Canyon: Off the Grid in Big Bend Country
TEXANA 976.493 KLEPPER

Cemeteries and Funerary Practices in the Big Bend of Texas, 1850 to the Present
TEXANA 976.493 WILLEFORD

El Paso Prenuptial Investigations From the Catholic Archives of Texas, 1707-1853
TEXANA 976.496 EL PASO



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.

Date: November 4, 2017

Speaker: none

Topic: none

This month is the membership's opportunity to nominate Executive Officers (President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer) and Directors for the 2018 year. The membership is encouraged to attend to participate in this important meeting. **In addition, the membership will vote on the proposed revisions to the current By-Laws.** For a copy of the proposed By-laws click [here](#).

Help for the beginning genealogists:

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

[Yolanda Patiño](#) 210.434.3530



The Canary Islands Descendants Association's monthly meetings are open to the public. Association membership is not required to attend. There is a guest speaker at each meeting that shares information about historical events, facts or other related information on Texas, San Antonio or the Canary Islands.

Event Details:

- Every third Saturday between January 21, 2017 and November 18, 2017
- 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
- Free

Venue:

- **San Antonio Central Library**
- 600 Soledad Street
- San Antonio, TX 78205
- 210-538-0905

EVENT PRESENTED BY:

- Canary Islands Descendants Association
- cida.satx@gmail.com
- <http://www.cida-sa.org>



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 click on the "Ask Us" button on the website 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.txsaghs.org



Texas in the First World War

[The Institute of Texan Cultures](#)

Opened April 6, 2017

A century since the U.S. formally entered World War I, the events that unfolded continue to have a profound impact on modern international affairs and society.

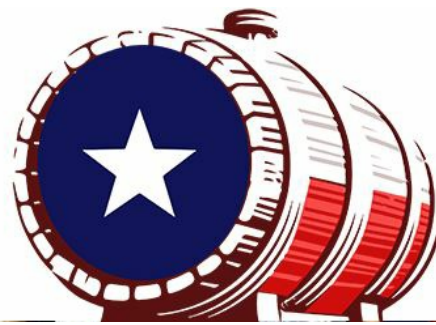


Brewing Up Texas

[The Institute of Texan Cultures](#)

October 21, 2017 - October 28, 2018

From 1840 to the modern craft beer industry, follow the story of beer, brewers and breweries and how they left their mark on Texas culture.



Time Before Memory

[The Institute of Texan Cultures](#)

October 7, 2017 - November 5, 2017

To prepare for the traditional holiday of Dia de los Muertos, the UTSA Institute of Texan Cultures has tapped local artist David Zamora Casas to prepare an ofrenda.



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San Antonio Museum of Art

[Of Texas Rivers and Texas Art](#)

2 Sept. 2017 - 26 Nov. 2017

[2TheXtreme: Math Alive!](#)

30 Sept. 2017 - 7 Jan. 2018

[Rashaad Newsome: KNOT](#)

8 August - 5 January 2018

[Chuck Ramirez: All This and Heaven Too](#)

14 Sept. 2017 - 14 Jan. 2018

[Stage Frights: Madness, Monsters, Mayhem](#)

28 Sept - 31 Dec. 2017

[Behind the Screen: Tim Burton's The Nightmare Before Christmas](#)

28 Sept. - 31 Dec. 2017

[Intercambios: Modernist Photography in Mexico from the Permanent Collection](#)

11 August - 31 December 2017

[Antinous, the Emperor's Beloved: Investigating a Roman Portrait](#)

1 Sept. - 26 November 2017

[The Magic of Clay and Fire: Japanese Contemporary Ceramics](#)

14 Dec. 2016 - Fall 2017





[THAT DAY: Pictures in the American West](#) [Photographs by Laura Wilson](#)

September 15 - December 10, 2017

Renowned photographer Laura Wilson has captured the majesty, as well as the tragedy, of her home region of Texas and the wider West for more than 30 years. In the Briscoe Museum's photographic exhibition, THAT DAY: Pictures in the American West, Laura Wilson takes us into a West defined by diverse communities outside the suburban middle-class. This exhibition of eighty-four photographs introduces us to worlds that are framed equally by beauty and violence, reflecting Wilson's challenge to the traditional views and stereotypes of the region. Text from Wilson's field journals accompanies the photographs, recalling her personal experiences behind the camera. With her keen eye for detail, Wilson offers an unexpected vision of the West—a topic of enduring fascination. The exhibit is part of FOTOSEPTIEMBRE USA.

[Click here for interview with Laura Wilson](#) by Kathleen Petty of San Antonio Magazine - Sept. 2017



Back Up Your Genealogy Files!

It is the first of the month. It's time to back up your genealogy files. Then test your backups!

Actually, you can make backups at any time. However, it is easier and safer if you have a specific schedule. The first day of the month is easy to remember, so I would suggest you back up your genealogy files at least on the first day of every month, if not more often. Of course, you might want to back up more than your genealogy files. Family photographs, your checkbook register, all sorts of word processing documents, email messages, and much more need to be backed up regularly. Why not do that on the first day of each month?

How Many Backup Copies of Important Files Do You Need?

Here's the old data center 3-2-1 rule-of-thumb for backing up:

- 3 copies of anything you care about - Two isn't enough if it's important.
- 2 different formats - Example: Dropbox plus DVDs or Hard Drive plus Memory Stick or CD plus Crash Plan, or more
- 1 off-site backup - If the house burns down, how will you get your memories back?



Links

Free Online Genealogy Webinars

Sponsored by the Georgia Genealogical Society

8pm EST, 4th Wednesday of the month

Register at www.gagensociety.org

22 November 2017 - Judy G. Russell, JD, CG, CGL - "Where There Is - or Isn't - a Will"

Clayton Library Friends (Houston)

Sponsored by the Georgia Genealogical Society

Date: Saturday, November 11, 2017

Time: 10:30 am to 12 Noon

Place: Clayton Library

Clayton Library Friends (CLF) will hold their Annual Meeting on Saturday, November 11, 2017 with registration beginning at 10:15 am and the meeting beginning at 10:30 am at the Carriage House, Clayton Library, Center for Genealogical Research, located at 5300

Caroline, Houston, Texas. During the meeting there will be a program and election of the CLF Board members. ALL ARE WELCOME !!!! The FREE lecture will be presented by Mary Anthony Startz whose talk is entitled:

"The Cuban Papers - An Overview to Researching this Treasure of Spanish Colonial Documents from the 16th, 17th and early 18th century"

Many genealogists are not familiar with the Cuban Papers. If your ancestor was an early English Loyalist or American immigrant into the Spanish Colonies prior to 1821, you will want to look for them in a resource called the Cuban Papers !! In this presentation, Mary Anthony Startz will review the resource guides to drill into these reels of microfilm. Want to find out how the Spanish government activities helped the American colonists in their war of independence? Startz will discuss the variety of documents within the Cuban Papers, a collection housed at Clayton Library, Center for Genealogical Research, Houston, Texas. For more information about the Cuban Papers, please go to: <http://www2.houstonlibrary.org/clayton/cuban.html>

Mary "Anthony" Startz is a native of Pensacola, Florida. She has lived in Houston for more than thirty years. As an active member of National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR), she is currently serving as a National Vice Chair for the Units Overseas Committee and is on the board of Lady Washington Chapter, NSDAR for a fifth term. She is also Texas State Chairman for the Spanish Task Force as well as twice past National Vice Chairman, Lady Washington Chapter, NSDAR. Anthony is a member of the Order of Granaderos y Damas de Gálvez where she works to promote the history of Spain's role in the American Revolution. She is also a board member of this organization serving as National Secretary and Secretary/Treasurer of the Houston chapter.

New Jersey Marriage Index

Introducing the NEW JERSEY MARRIAGE INDEX, 1901-2016! These records are now totally digital, and totally free -- forever! Now you can research anyone who got married in the Garden State right from your home, still in your pajamas.

We've posted these images at our favorite online library, the Internet Archive (archive.org). You can skip right to any year you want and flip through all the images, or you can download the records to your hard drive as JPG's, PDF's, and/or other formats. Each file is listed year-by-year(or occasionally by a year range), and then the marriages are listed alphabetically by surname.

In New Jersey, the government started legally recognizing same sex-marriages in September 2013. This means that if you're using this marriage index for any point after late 2013, the header row that labels people as Bride or Groom is invalid; from that point forward, anybody could be Spouse #1 or Spouse #2, including opposite-sex couples who might have preferred to switch the order on the marriage license paperwork. The state apparently never updated the database field names, and did not add any new columns to record each spouse's sex.

Browse through the records [here](#).



From the Archives

Our Confederate Dead (part three)

On behalf of the Confederate soldiers, whose memory we would commemorate, suffice it to say: From the first hostile cannon shot, fired upon the fated walls of Fort Sumpter [sic], the challenged tocsin of war, which reverberated and inflamed the hearts of the American people throughout our entire land, to the surrender of the Confederate forces at Appomattox [sic], by General Robert E. Lee, nature's nobleman, the adored paragon of a soldier, and the spotless exemplar of a southern Christian gentleman of the "old school," unsurpassed love of home and native land, of heroic bravery and uncomplaining endurance of hardships and sufferings, were displayed. "Peace to their ashes!" as well as to the valiant soldiers who gave their lives for the union.

I want peace, substantial peace, and complete reconciliation among the whole people of this great and powerful nation, the vanguard of civilization, of religious and political freedom.

As expressive of my deep feelings for reconciliation between the people of the north and the people of the south, years ago, while much of the war bitterness still lingered among them, I said, which I beg to repeat:

"Yes, reconciliation! I would inscribe that hallowed word, big with meaning and freighted with every hope for the preservation of the union, over the entrance, within and without, of every mansion, cottage, hamlet, and habitation in the land; I would stand it upon every school book motto it upon the walls of every school room and institution of learning in the land; I would letter it in every language upon every temple of justice and over every altar of worship in the land; with it I would encircle "characters of living light" every star in the galaxy of states on every ensign, flag and banner in the land; I would chisel it upon the tombstone and plant it in letters of flowers upon the grave of every dead soldier in the land' I would sink it deep into every living heart and proclaim it by every human tongue in the land; I would send it forth to every quarter of the world, upon every outward-borne breeze, and bear it back upon every homeward bound wind, gale and storm; I would swear it in every oath, pronounce it in every benediction, and supplicate it in every prayer!"

With real and substantial reconciliation among our people, we may proudly proclaim:

"Oh, beautiful and grand
My own Native Land
Sail on, O ship of state!
Sail on, O Union, strong and grand!
Humanity with all its fears
With all the hopes of future years,
Is hanging breathless on thy fate!"

America, sweet land of liberty.
Speed on! speed on; thy glorious destiny,
Till all the world enjoys sweet liberty!"

Party organization and party contests are well enough, and may be regarded as a public necessity, in order to guide aright the ship-of-state, - guard against corruption and oppression and preserve unimpaired the rights and liberties of the people; but in our attitude before, and relations with, other nations and peoples, wherein are involved or imperiled our national honor, integrity, prowess, invincibility or common welfare, true patriotism - the love of country, home and kindred, behoove and constrain us to lay aside partisan combinations and party pride, and without bickerings, without dissemblings, faultfinding or cowardly intrigues be a united and harmonious people, animated,

electrified and strengthened by the desire and unflinching determination, to meet and fearlessly discharge our responsibilities, and consummate the supremacy and glory of the American republic of freemen.

In support and in verification of our country's promulgation of the principles of human freedom and self-government, individual selfishness and ambition should yield at least a willing and unrestrained acquiescence.

When the late war with Spain was declared, it was a cheering spectacle to witness old Confederate and Union soldiers who had fought as enemies against each other in the war between the states, and the sons of the north, south, east and west, at the first call for troops, rallying as volunteers by thousands to follow a bear to victory upon the fields of battle and on ships of war, the common flag of our country; and, like brothers marching shoulder to shoulder with unflinching step in the face of carnage and death. It sent a thrill of joy through the gladdened hearts of the whole American people; from coast to coast, from ocean to ocean, from valley, hilltop and mountain the universal acclaim went up:

"We are a united people," echoing back in a nation's dulcet melody, we have at last ---
"The Union of States none can sever,
The union of hearts - the union of hands - and the flag of our Union forever."

To the Barnard E. Bee chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy, we extend our most hearty thanks, for the erection of this beautiful monument, and the happy conception of the striking and instructive emblematic mould, to guide the skillful architect in its building: being surmounted with the image, in granite form, of a brave Confederate soldier; sleepless sentinel of the dead, proudly pointing heavenward, whither has gone the spirit legions of departed compatriots in arms. Sepulchral watchman, o'er the graves of Confederate soldiers, sleeping in death, stand erect - unmarred, unharmed and undefiled by time or vandal hands, will the last tattoo and the final roll call, summoning to the judgement throne, shall be sounded!

As a fitting inscription on this dedicated monument, we would suggest:
Our country is the freeman's land;
A union, bound by brothers band;
Where equal rights are guiding theme;
And justice reigns o're all supreme;

God bless Confederate soldiers dead, who gave
Their lives, their homes and country's rights to save.
God bless the soldiers clad in grey and clad in blue,
Who, bound in brotherhood, are to their country true.;

"Lest we forget," great God; "Remember now the Maine;"
And bless the sailor boys by coward Spaniards slain;

God bless all soldiers true, who fight and noble stand,
Against despotic rule, in home or foreign land;

LEST WE FORGET

God bless the women of the south who knit the socks
And spun and move for soldier boys in homemade frocks;
Who courage gave to fathers, sons and husbands dear
And drown'd the pangs of war in woman's lonely tears
Defeat and death and they faced, like braves, who know no fear;
Have watched o'er sleeping dead, through long, long years!
A grander monument than that of marble mould,
In Heav'n is built for them with crown of gold!

At the conclusion of the address Col. Upson was loudly applauded and warmly congratulated by those on the stand near him.

Arrangement was then made for the unveiling of the monument and little Laura Winstead pulled the rope. Unfortunately, by some means, the part around the figure was caught and only that portion of the veil that covered the column and pedestal came down. The mayor then sent for the hook and ladder company and later on, before the audience retired, Fireman Duncan ascended the ladder, cut the veiling and revealed the Confederate soldier in all its artistic beauty.

Jude Reagan, then upon behalf of the Barnard E. Bee chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy, presented their president, Mrs. A. W. Houston, with a handsome silver loving cup and salver.

Mrs. A. W. Houston, in returning thanks for the pretty gift, said that she appreciated it far more than words could say and that it was one of the most pleasant moments of her life. She would already remember with affection and gratitude the kindness of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

The loving cup is ornamented with a Confederate, Texas and United States flag and is inscribed:

Presented to
Mrs. A. W. Houston
by the
Barnard E. Bee Chapter
Daughters of the Confederacy
San Antonio, Texas,
April 28, 1900

General J. B. Polley, of Floresville, grand commander of the United Confederate Veterans for the state, in the name of United Confederate Veterans and Albert Sidney Johnston camp, U. C. V., thanked the Daughters of the Confederacy for their action in raising the monument to the Confederate dead and paid a glowing compliment to the women of the south. He then moved the following resolution:

"Resolved that the love and gratitude of every Confederate in deed and sympathy are hereby tendered to the noble and patriotic Daughters of the Confederacy, members of the Barnard E. Bee chapter, of the city of San Antonio, Texas, for their constancy and loyalty to the cause, which although lost, is yet for its sad and mournful memories unspeakably dear and sacred to southern hearts.

The motion was put and most enthusiastically carried without a single dissenting vote.

Judge Reagan read a telegram from Mrs. Bendetta Tobin of Austin, grand president of the Daughters of the Confederacy, congratulating Barnard E. Bee chapters upon the completion of the good work.

Arrangements were then made that those who wished could pass by the governor and Judge Reagan and exchange salutations and then the proceedings came to an end.

The monument was designed and executed by Mr. Frank Teich, of San Antonio, and is cut out of Llano granite. It is about 40 feet high including base, column and figure. The column is ornamented with a Texas star and wreath and in the center are the words, "To Our Confederate Dead." The whole is surmounted by the eight foot figure of Confederate soldier in full uniform, one hand pointing upward to the sky, the other grasping his gun. The design is pretty, effective and quite characteristic of the object for which it was erected.

San Antonio Light
29 April 1900



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