

Bay Area Genealogical Society (BAGS) – General Membership Meeting Agenda
Friday, July 29, 2022, 7:00 pm
Zoom Webinar

Call to Order – Jane Martin, 1st Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Welcome to Visitors and New Members – Jane welcomed new members and visitors to the meeting. Jane reminded visitors that they may attend two meetings prior to joining BAGS.

Announcements

- **Membership Report:** Jane announced that the number of current members is 167.
- **Bylaws Change:** Jane announced that the fiscal/membership year is now January 1 to December 31. Current memberships are extended through the end of 2022. New members who join between November 1 to December 31, 2022 will have their membership extended through the upcoming fiscal/membership year 2023. Membership renewals begin November 1, 2022 and end on February 28, 2023.
- **Open Positions:** Jane reminded members that if a member volunteers for one of the open positions and remains in that position until the end of 2022 they will receive a free membership for next year. Jane encouraged members to volunteer for one of the following open positions:
 - 2nd Vice President – in charge of monthly programing
 - Alternates for the following: 2nd Vice-President, Treasurer, Registrar, Journal Editor, Yearbook.

Future Events – Jane encouraged members to attend the following BAGS events and to access the various genealogical events that are posted on the sidebar of the website.

- **Members Helping Members:** Designed to provide an avenue for member sharing about recent research discoveries or accomplishments and provide a means to ask for assistance with roadblocks. See website for details.
 - **Online via Zoom #1 – Monday mornings at 10:00 AM**
Moderators: Renee Ball and George Porterfield
 - **Online via Zoom #2 – Monday evenings at 7:00 PM**
Moderator: Kim Zrubek
 - **Online via Zoom #3 – 1st Sunday of each month at 2:00 PM**
Next session August 7. Moderator: Kim Zrubek
 - **In-Person – The Friendswood Family History Center – 3rd Wednesdays at 9:30 AM**
Next session August 17. Open only to BAGS members for research. Members may bring their laptop and use their Wi-Fi or they may use one of their six computers available at the Family History Center.
- **Brick Wall Busters Special Interest Group – Sunday, September 11, at 1:00 PM.** See the sidebar for details. Moderator: Kathleen Williams.
- **Meet ‘n’ Munch Social – Saturday, July 30 at 4:00 PM,** at the Red River BBQ in League City. Members and their guests are invited to eat an early dinner and spend time visiting. A Meet “n” Munch will not be held in August since an in-person meeting is scheduled for August.
- **Bus Trip to Clayton Library – Tuesday, August 16, 2022.** Meet at **9:15 AM**, at 16511 Diana Lane, Houston. Members may sign up by either texting Kathleen Williams, County Coordinator, at 409.344.0567 or emailing her at CountyCoord@txbayareagen.org. Currently, only six (6) members have signed up for this scheduled bus trip. At least 10 members must be signed up by August 2 to prevent the trip from being canceled. Members are encouraged to bring a lunch, flash drive and change in coins and dollar bills to make copies. Check the website Trip page for the schedule of future trips.
- **Education Session – September 1, 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM, What’s New in Family Tree Maker with Q & A Discussion”.** Contact Kim Zrubek at 832- 660-5898 or email her at education@txbayareagen.org. See the sidebar of the website for more details.

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- **German Special Interest Group – No meeting in August.** The next virtual meeting is scheduled for September 14, at 7:00 PM.

Moderators: George Porterfield and Karen Engelauf.

- **Other upcoming events:** See the sidebar of the website for links.

Tonight's Program – Jane introduced the speaker, Tony Hanson, a retired engineer who has been involved in genealogy since 1999, focusing on his mother's German branch and his father's Norwegian ancestors. Mr. Hanson has been active in the [Dallas Genealogical Society](#) and he is currently the Director of Membership for the Texas State Genealogical Society. Mr. Hanson presented the topic, Paper in the Cloud: Preserving Records Digitally. Jane announced that the presentation will be available to members on the website for two (2) weeks only.

Next General Meeting – **Saturday, August 27, 2022, at 12:00 PM in person** – Jane announced that the next meeting will be the annual Show & Tell Potluck Luncheon to be held at the University Baptist Church located at 16106 Middlebrook, Houston, TX.

Adjournment – Jane adjourned the meeting at 8:08 pm.

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