



# Bay Area Genealogical Society

## Newsletter

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### Friday, August 25, 2017: Annual "Show and Tell" Program and BBQ Potluck Dinner

*Public Invited. Join us at 6:30pm for dinner.*

We meet at the University Baptist Church (UBC) in the Chapel on the 1st floor  
(16106 Middlebrook Drive, Houston, TX 77059 - [online map](#)).



Jane Ebrom discussing her family, August 2016

Here is your chance to tell a brief family story about a treasured item, important family event, or research discovery. Tables will be available at the front of the room to display your memorabilia.

The Society will provide drinks and barbecued meats for the potluck dinner. Members are invited to bring a side dish or a dessert. Please remember to bring serving utensils.

Begin arriving at 6:00pm to place food dishes and display memorabilia. We will begin eating at 6:30 pm and the program starts at 7:00pm. During the meeting, the members will vote on the 2017-2019 Officers. Slate of candidates announced on page 7.

**Need a ride? Contact Amanda Pearson**



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#### *It's Membership renewal time!*

**Please renew your membership at this meeting. The 2017-2018 Society year begins September 1. Details on page 6.**

**Bus Trip to Clayton Library, contact Mike McCown [Wednesday, September 6 at 9am](#)**

**Members Helping Members Session  
[Sunday, September 10 at 2pm](#)**

Bay Area Genealogical Society website – [www.TxBayAreaGen.org](http://www.TxBayAreaGen.org)

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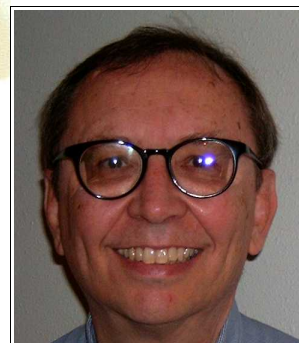
Garry Garrett

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Polly Swerdlin and Garry Garrett



## ***In Memoriam***



### **Our President Loren Kemp Martin passed on August 19, 2017.**

As a charter member, Loren joyously served the Society in the capacity of President in 2005-2007 and 2015-2017, Treasurer in 2011-2015, 1st Vice-President in 2004-2005, Scholarship committee in 2007-2009, Finance Committee in 2007-2009, and the Mt.Olivet Cemetery Transcription Project. He was also an active member of the Clayton Library Friends.

**His smile, laugh, jokes, and guidance will be missed.**

***Our thoughts and prayers go out to  
his wife Mary and their family.***

There will be a visitation on Thursday, August 24 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm at Forest Park East Funeral Home located at 21620 Gulf Fwy, Webster, TX 77598 ([Google Map](#)). The Funeral service will be held Saturday, August 26 at 2:00pm at the same location.

This newsletter is a monthly publication of the Bay Area Genealogical Society, a non-profit educational organization dedicated to the people of Harris and Galveston counties, Texas, who have an interest in genealogy. Articles on genealogy are welcome. Inclusion is based on space available and is subject to editing. Please include permissions with copyrighted material submissions. Questions or comments on the BAGS Newsletter should be addressed to:  
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# 2017 BAGS Calendar

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## August



**Monday, August 21 at 6:30pm:**  
**Board Meeting** at the University Baptist Church in room EB105. **All members are welcome to attend.**



**Friday, August 25 at 6:30pm:**  
**General Meeting.** Annual Show & Tell with Potluck Dinner. Share a family item, brief story, event, or research discovery with the group. Meats will be supplied by the Society. Please consider bringing a side dish or salad to share. Vote on the slate of candidates for 2017-2019 Officers. Renew your membership.

## September



**Wednesday, September 6 from 9:00am to 4:00pm: Ride the Bus to Clayton Library for a day of research.** Contact Mike McCown if you would like to catch the bus. More details on page 4.



**Sunday, September 10 at 2:00pm to 4:00pm: Members Helping Members** for both beginners and advanced researchers. Meet at Helen Hall Library.



No recap session this month because the August general meeting program was the member show & tell. Next Recap is October 15.



**Monday, September 25 at 6:30pm:**  
**Board Meeting** at the University Baptist Church in room EB105. **All members are welcome to attend.**



**Friday, September 29 at 6:30pm:**  
**General Meeting.** Clayton Library Staff Member, Irene Walters presents *Long Live Your French Ancestors!* A new Society year 2017-2018 begins. Newly elected 2017-2019 Officers will be installed. Renew your membership. Pickup a new *BAGS Journal* issue.

## October



**Wednesday, October 18 from 9:00am to 4:00pm: Ride the Bus to Clayton Library for a day of research.** Contact Mike McCown if you would like to catch the bus. More details on page 4.



**Sunday, October 15 at 2:00pm to 4:00pm: Members Helping Members** for both beginners and advanced researchers. Meet at Helen Hall Library.



**Sunday, October 15 at 2:00pm to 3:00pm: Recap session for September general meeting.** Meet at Helen Hall Library. This program runs concurrently with the members helping members session.



**Monday, October 23 at 6:30pm:**  
**Board Meeting** at the University Baptist Church in room EB105. **All members are welcome to attend.**



**Friday, October 27 at 7:00pm:**  
**General Meeting.** David Gardiner will present "Reading between the lines, an in depth look at UK census records".

## November



**Sunday, November 5 at 2:00pm to 4:00pm: Members Helping Members** for both beginners and advanced researchers. Meet at Helen Hall Library.



**Sunday, November 5 at 2:00pm to 3:00pm: Recap session for October general meeting.** Meet at Helen Hall Library. This program runs concurrently with the members helping members session.



**Wednesday, November 15 from 9:00am to 4:00pm: Ride the Bus to Clayton Library for a day of research.** Contact Mike McCown if you would like to catch the bus. More details on page 4.



Education Committee:  
Nick Cimino (chair)

### Members Helping Members Sessions

**Sundays from 2-4pm at  
Helen Hall Library,  
100 W. Walker, League City  
which is on Hwy 3 one light  
south of FM 518.**

**Dates:**

**Sunday, August 13  
Sunday, September 10  
Sunday, October 15  
Sunday, November 5  
December – no meeting**

Spend some quality time researching with friends, in groups or one-on-one. Ask questions and share ideas. Bring your laptop or mobile device. Free public WiFi is available inside the library. Details on information shared during previous sessions are posted on the BAGS website under “Workshops.”

#### **DNA Help Desk available at the sessions!**

Thank you to members Susan Moyer, Glen Cress, Gale French, and Mike McCown for providing DNA research education and consultation during these meetings.

### General Meeting Recap Sessions For Members

**Sundays from 2-3pm at  
Helen Hall Library,  
100 W. Walker, League City  
which is on Hwy 3 one light  
south of FM 518.**

**Dates:**

**Sunday, August 13  
September – no meeting  
Sunday, October 15  
Sunday, November 5  
December – no meeting**

- ▶ *Missed the general meeting?*
- ▶ *Do not like to drive at night to attend the general meetings?*
- ▶ *Want to discuss last month's presentation content in more detail?*

These sessions are designed to share with members the announcements, speaker presentation information and handouts from the last general meeting. Program is hosted by members for members. The last BAGS *Journal* and BAGS *Yearbook* will be available for pickup.

**There will not be a recap session for the August Show & Tell program. The October recap session will cover materials presented at the September general meeting.**

### Bus Tips to Clayton Library Details

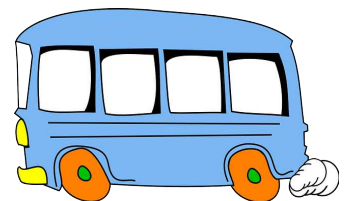
**Meet at Clear Lake  
Community Association and  
Recreation Center,  
16511 Diana Lane, Houston,  
TX 77062**

**Dates:**

**Wednesday, September 6  
Wednesday, October 18  
Wednesday, November 15  
Wednesday, January 10**

10 people attended the August bus trip.

**If you want to participate in one of the future bus trips, please signup by contacting Mike McCown by phone 281-337-4668 or e-mail [mmccown1970@libertea.us](mailto:mmccown1970@libertea.us)** This free resource is provided by the Harris County Senior Program. A minimum of nine people must sign up per the county regulations. Board the bus by 9:15am in front of the parking lot at the Clear Lake Community Association and Recreation Center, 16511 Diana Lane, Houston, TX 77062. The bus will arrive back at 4:00pm.



**NEW CONTACT INFO FOR BUS RSVP**



## July Program Recap – Native American Research Resources



Marjorie J. Lowe  
Photo taken by  
Bill Mayo, July 2017

Thank you to Marjorie Lowe for sharing her knowledge and experience in researching Native American ancestors that were part of the “five civilized tribes.” Have questions? Need help? Visit Marjorie at the Clayton Library. She volunteers research help on the first and second Saturdays each month from 3pm to 5pm in the Clayton Library at the microprint desk (second floor).

### Research Resources

**The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)** collected and created a number of rolls identifying Native Americans as a result of allotments, legislation, removals, treaties, and other activities. The National Archives BIA page explains the variety of records (allotments, applications, case files, rolls, schools, etc.) available and where they can be found. [www.archives.gov/research/native-americans/bia](http://www.archives.gov/research/native-americans/bia) A separate National

Archives page addresses military records of Native American individuals that served in the U.S. Armed Forces. [www.archives.gov/research/native-americans/military](http://www.archives.gov/research/native-americans/military)

**FamilySearch Wiki** offers a beginner’s guide for researching North American Native Americans and maintains a page of references to online genealogy records for individual tribes and topics.

*Indians of North America - A Beginner's Guide*

[https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Indians\\_of\\_North\\_America\\_-\\_A\\_Beginner's\\_Guide](https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/Indians_of_North_America_-_A_Beginner's_Guide)

American Indian Online Genealogy Records

[https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/American\\_Indian\\_Online\\_Genealogy\\_Records](https://familysearch.org/wiki/en/American_Indian_Online_Genealogy_Records)

**Fold3 and Ancestry.com** offer digitized records for some of the rolls. On Fold3 main page, select **Non-Military Records** on the left side then either click on **Browse all Non-Military Record Titles** or scroll down the publications and click on **Native American Collection** to get access to:

Cherokee Indian Agency (Tennessee)

**Dawes Enrollment Cards \*\*\* (summary of the Dawes packet) Includes family lists, freemen, slaves, references to previous censuses Filed under husband’s surname.**

**Dawes Packets \*\*\* a wealth of information including detailed questionnaire, affidavits, letters, marriage and birth documents. Filed under husband’s surname.**

Eastern Cherokee Applications

Guion Miller Roll

Indian Census Rolls, 1885-1940

Ratified Indian Treaties

**[Ancestry.com and Fold3.com can be accessed for free from within a Family History Center. You can access Fold3 from home using your Houston Public Library card.]**

**Tribal Leaders Directory** published by the U.S. Department Of The Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs provides contact information for each federally recognized tribe.

[www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/BIA/OIS/TribalGovernmentServices/TribalDirectory](http://www.bia.gov/WhoWeAre/BIA/OIS/TribalGovernmentServices/TribalDirectory)

**Cyndi’s List** entry for Native American DNA research

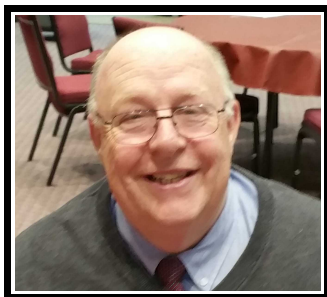
[www.cyndislist.com/native-american/native-american-dna](http://www.cyndislist.com/native-american/native-american-dna)

### ★ *It's Membership renewal time!*

Time flies by when you are having fun. During the months of July and August, we will be renewing memberships for the 2017-2018 fiscal year, which runs September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018. The renewal rates have not changed from last year—a **single membership is \$20 and a family membership is \$25**.

Please fill out a membership application form with your renewal. One is attached to this newsletter and is available online on the BAGS website ([www.TxBayAreaGen.org](http://www.TxBayAreaGen.org)) home page. Either print and mail to the address at the top of the form, or bring the form to the next general meeting. Please note that the Registrar's address is P.O. Box 590853, Houston, TX 77259-0853. Blank forms will be available at the Registrar's table during the general meetings.

- ★ Welcoming Committee needs a couple of smiles. Help us greet members and visitors before the general meetings. Thank you Shirley Lindquist and Suzie Ganch for providing this service throughout the year.
- ★ Need help filling out your 5 generation pedigree chart? Contact member Garry Garnett for help.
- ★ Genealogical related events hosted by other organizations are listed on the BAGS website under Workshops.
- ★ Back issues of the BAGS Quarterlies, Journals, and Newsletters can be found on the Society's website ([www.TxBayAreaGen.org](http://www.TxBayAreaGen.org)) click on the **Members Page**. You will find digitized images of *BAGS Journal* issues published from September 2014 to March 2017 and *BAGS Quarterly* issues published from December 2001 to December 2013. Past issues of the *BAGS Newsletter* are also available on the same website but click on the **Newsletters** instead of Members Page.
- ★ Willing to help plan a Saturday genealogy seminar? Contact George Porterfield or Kim Zrubek



David Gardiner hosts an English Genealogy Roundtable on Tuesday (not Wednesday) evenings at 7pm in the League City Family History Center, located at 4655 South Shore Boulevard League City TX 77573. Entrance at the back of the building.

### **BAG\$ Report** by Bill Mayo, Treasurer

#### **CHECKING ACCOUNT**

Balance on 30 June 2017	\$4,816.79
July Deposits	\$178.00
July Expenditures	<u>\$288.30</u>
Balance on 31 July 2017	\$4,706.49

#### **CERTIFICATE OF DEPOSIT**

Value on 31 July 2017	\$3,806.23
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### **BAGS Merchandise**

is available for a donation at the general meetings:

- Laptop Brief Bags (\$25)
- USB drives (\$10)
- Cookbooks (\$10)
- Pens (\$1)



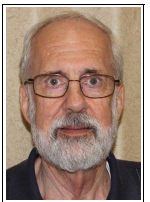
## Announcing the 2017-2019 Officer Slate

The Nomination Committee offers the following slate of candidates to serve as the BAGS Officers for the 2017-2019 term. The slate was formally presented to the membership during the July 28, 2017 general meeting. At the August 25, 2017 general meeting, additional nominations can be accepted from the floor and the membership will vote on candidates from both the slate and the floor nominations. The newly elected officers will be installed at the September 29, 2017 general meeting where they will begin their duties at that time.

The Nomination Committee's slate of candidates presented at the July 28, 2017 general meeting are:



**President: Nick Cimino** is currently serving as 1st Vice-President, 2015-2017, and the Education Chairman organizing and hosting member helping member sessions for BAGS. Nick has also served on this year's BAGS Nominating Committee.



**1st Vice-President: George Porterfield** joined BAGS in 2016 and is recently semi-retired. He has been actively supporting BAGS by providing research assistance at the monthly member helping member sessions.



**2nd Vice-President: Kim Zrubek** is currently serving in the same position, 2015-2017. She also serves as the newsletter editor, supports the Education Committee's programming, and is a member of BAGS Members First Committee.



**Treasurer: Bill Mayo** is currently serving as Treasurer 2015-2017. He has updated and published the Society's surname list available on the "Members Only" page on the BAGS website. He has served as BAGS President 2011-2013, Treasurer 2009-2011, and the Society's photographer, 2017.



**Registrar: Bob Wegner** is currently serving as Registrar and has served in this capacity since 2013. He also chairs the BAGS Members First Committee, and served on this year's BAGS Nominating Committee.



**Recording Secretary: Kathie Chaffee** is currently serving as Recording Secretary 2016-2017 and Corresponding Secretary, 2016-2017. Kathie continues to serve as the Telephone Committee chair since 2015 and is a member of the BAGS Members First Committee.



**Corresponding Secretary: Teresa Rundell** joined BAGS in 2015 and has been actively supporting BAGS by hosting tables at many public outreach events to represent and advertise the Society.

# Local Events

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## Hands-on Genealogy Series: Start searching the census with HeritageQuest.

**Monday, October 2 at 6pm in Helen Hall Library located at 100 W. Walker, League City, TX** Censuses pinpoint your family in a place and time. Bring your laptop or tablet and learn about the various U.S. Federal Census records. Presented by Irene B. Walters, librarian from Clayton Library. Use HeritageQuest to find your ancestors in the census and learn how to save or send the record home. Non-population census records such as the mortality and slave schedules will also be looked at. A limited number of library owned tablets will be available for use during the session. RSVP by calling the library at 281-554-1111.

## Beginner's Guide to GEDmatch.com

**Saturday September 16 from 10:30am to noon at the Clayton Library** located at 5300 Caroline Street, Houston. Are you looking for a way to expand your autosomal DNA research beyond what's offered by your DNA provider? Then Gedmatch.com may be what you're looking for. This presentation will introduce you to the most important tools and utilities at GEDmatch.com, as well as tips and strategies for extracting as much information as possible from the site's many features. Reservations required, please call the library at 832-393-2600.

## English Genealogy Research Roundtable

**Tuesday evenings from 7pm to 9pm at the League City Family History Center** located at 4655 South Shore Boulevard League City TX 77573. Entrance at the back of the building. Led by David Gardiner.

## TSGS Annual Conference

**Friday, October 20 – Sunday, Oct 22 in Houston at the Omni Houston Hotel at Westside.** Featured speakers are Dr. Michael Lacopo, D.V.M. and J. Mark Lowe, CG<sup>SM</sup>. Details on schedule and speakers will be published online at [www.txsgs.org/conference](http://www.txsgs.org/conference)

## Finding Your Roots In Catholic Records

**Saturday, September 9 from 10am to noon at Bayland Community Center** located at 6400 Bissonnet, Houston, TX 77074

Author of the *Catholic Genealogy Legacy QuickGuide*<sup>TM</sup> and contributor to *The Catholic Gene* blog, Lisa Toth Salinas will guide you into exploration of the lives of your ancestors through sacramental records, additional Church records, and other Catholic sources. Join Lisa for an introduction into Catholic genealogy, an overview of traditional and often-overlooked documents, and research strategies that will help you dig into your Catholic roots. Program is hosted by Houston Genealogical Forum ([www.hgftx.org](http://www.hgftx.org))

## New Avenues in Genetic Genealogy presented by Jeremy Balkin, FamilyTreeDNA

**Sunday, September 10 at 2:45** in Rosemont Assisted Living Community (community room on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor) located at 6450 Kings Park Way, Atascocita-Kingwood, TX 77346. Hosted by the Atascocita-Kingwood Genealogical Society.

## 6th Annual Genealogy Symposium

**Saturday, October 21, from 9:30am -3:45pm, in the George Memorial Library, located at 1001 Golfview in Richmond, TX**

Free program features Professional genealogist and family-history blogger Caroline M. Pointer. RSVP by calling the library at 281-341-2608.

9:30am: "Did You Really Look *Everywhere* Online?"

10:45am: "Searching vs. Researching: The Difference Can Profoundly Affect Your Family History."

1:15pm: "Tear Down That Brick Wall by Evaluating the Source, of Course!"

2:30pm: "23 Ways to Use Your Smartphone or Tablet for Finding & Sharing Your Family-History Mysteries."



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## Membership Application

Please bring to meeting or mail to above address with payment.

Membership: New \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Maiden Name \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name for Name Tag \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

If this is a family membership, list the other family members' full names:

Occupation or, if retired, previous occupation of primary member \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation or, if retired, previous occupation of other member(s) \_\_\_\_\_

May we print your address, e-mail address and phone number in the Society's yearbook? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Research interests (list states or countries, etc.) and surnames \_\_\_\_\_

I need help with \_\_\_\_\_

The Society needs your participation. Check the committee(s) on which you are willing to serve:

<input type="checkbox"/> County Coordinator	<input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality	<input type="checkbox"/> Pedigree Charts	<input type="checkbox"/> Web Master
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Journal	<input type="checkbox"/> Programs	<input type="checkbox"/> Welcoming
<input type="checkbox"/> E-Mail	<input type="checkbox"/> Member Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Publicity	<input type="checkbox"/> Yearbook
<input type="checkbox"/> Finance	<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/> Telephone	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify; or I can help with e.g., translation or research) _____			

Payment – To calculate your payment, please choose one from each category:

☐ Single membership .... \$20

☐ Family membership... \$25 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Donation (Contributor - \$5-\$29, Benefactor - \$30-\$49,  
Patron - \$50-\$599, Lifetime membership - \$600 or higher) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Journal(s) included at no additional charge if picked up  
by end of Society year

☐ Journal(s) & Yearbook by mail ... \$5 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

[Journal(s) mailed all together at year end]

**Make checks out to "BAGS"** Cash ☐ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL

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IF YOUR INFORMATION CHANGES DURING THE YEAR, PLEASE NOTIFY THE REGISTRAR.