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# ***BAY AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY NEWSLETTER***



## ***August Members Meeting***



**Saturday, August 27, 2022, 12:00pm**

**Members Show & Tell  
Potluck Celebration!**

***University Baptist Church  
16106 Middlebrook Dr, Houston, TX 77059***

Join us, **August 27, 2022**, for a barbeque/potluck luncheon combined with a members "show & tell" of genealogical treasures! This is your chance to share a treasure, memory, or discovery from your research journey: Family heirlooms, exceptional document images, an item from "days gone by," portraits, books, letters - the list goes on!

Your Bay Area Genealogical Society will provide beverages and a selection of delicious barbecue meats, along with plates, napkins and eating utensils.

Members are invited to bring a side dish and/or a dessert. Please bring any required serving utensils for your dish. Food and presentation set up begins at 11:30am.

Tables for the showcased items and buffet food items will be provided.

**11:30am – 12:00pm** Members set up their food and presentations.

**12:00pm** Welcome by BAGS President, Lisa Smith.

**12:15pm** Members enjoy the buffet!

**1:00pm** Show and Tell Presentations begin

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### **Special points of interest**

- ***Research & Learning Opportunities***
- ***Genealogy Word Search***

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## ***In Memoriam***

We offer our condolences to the family of:

BAGS charter member and first Treasurer

**Dorothy “Dottie” Griffiths Crabb,**

who passed away June 27, 2022.



### ***Additional points of contact:***

Research questions or to provide research assistance:

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Submit pedigree chart to share with membership:

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Want to see something NEW in the next newsletter?

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### **Conference Keeper**

<http://conferencekeeper.org/calendar>

The most complete calendar and collection of Genealogy Events on the Internet. Find lectures, classes, cruises, conferences, institutes all in one place. Find items to fill your calendar. Looking for future, virtual events? There's a calendar for that. <https://conferencekeeper.org/virtual>

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## July General Meeting Recap

On Friday, July 29, Tony Hanson presented virtual program to BAGS entitled *Paper in the Cloud*

Tony demonstrated how genealogists find themselves overwhelmed by paper: records, letters, diaries, photographs, maps, and more. He was armed with a digitization strategy to preserve the precious documents we've worked so hard to collect for future generation. A recording of this presentation is available ONLY until August 12th on the BAGS website, Members Only page, along with the handout.

Tony Hanson retired after a 32-year career with AT&T. He holds a degree in Electrical Engineering and also a Master's Degree in Telecommunications. Tony has been involved in Genealogy for 22 years, focusing on his mother's German branch his father's Norwegian ancestors. He has been active in the Dallas Genealogical Society as the leader of their Technology Special Interest Group, Vice President of Education, Webmaster, and President.

### BAGS Facebook

Facebook Group (for members only)

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/txbayareagensoc>

Facebook Page (open to the public)

<https://www.facebook.com/txbayareagen>



## Upcoming BAGS CALENDAR

*With the reopening of businesses, the Bay Area Genealogical Society's Board voted to offer a mix of virtual and in-person general meetings in the coming year. Details for each meeting, along with registration links, will be posted to the BAGS website, FACEBOOK page, and future newsletters.*

**THURSDAY, Sept. 1st, 4:00pm** (live/virtual hybrid)

**What's New in Family Tree Maker?** Friendswood Library.

Everyone must register by Mon, Aug 29 to ensure there is enough room. In person attending, please bring your computer. Register for in-person by emailing **Kim** at [education@txbayareagen.org](mailto:education@txbayareagen.org) or text her at **832-660-5898**. [Zoom registration here](#)

**SUNDAY, Sept. 25th 4:00pm** (in person)

**Meet and Munch Social at Red River BBQ**

1911 E Main St, League City, Members and family members are invited to eat early dinner and spend time visiting with other society member

Contact the Board of Directors if you have questions or suggestions about BAGS programs at [info@txbayareagen.org](mailto:info@txbayareagen.org).

## Board Meetings

Currently held as virtual meetings via ZOOM. All members are welcome to attend! If you would like to attend a Board Meeting, request a link from [Info@TxBayAreaGen.org](mailto:Info@TxBayAreaGen.org)

### 2022 Board Meetings

August 22

September 26

October 24

Board meetings are held on Mondays at 6:30 PM. [Board Meeting Minutes](#) are available on the Members Page.



## Clayton Library

### Bus Trip

**Tuesday, Aug 16th**  
**9:15 am to 4pm**

**Meet at:**

16511 Diana Lane,  
Houston, TX

Bring lunch, flash drive, and coins/dollar bills for copying records.

Please contact our [County Coordinator](#),  
**Kathleen Williams**

to register for a seat on the bus ASAP! **409-344-0567**

***See details on future dates and to be included on pg 9 and [HERE](#).***



# AUGUST CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1) <b>MHM Zoom #1</b> with Rene Ball and George Porterfield 10:00am <b>MHM Zoom #2</b> with Kim Zrubek 7:00pm	2)	3)	4) <b>Clayton Library</b> <b>Face2Face</b> 1pm Zoom <i>Using Research</i> <i>Centers for</i> <i>Genealogical Research</i>	5)	6)
7) <b>MHM Zoom #3</b> with Kim Zrubek 2pm	8) <b>MHM Zoom #1</b> with Rene Ball and George Porterfield 10:00am <b>MHM Zoom #2</b> with Kim Zrubek 7:00pm	9)	10)	11)	12) <b>Clayton Library</b> Online Virtual Program 2pm <i>Texas Archive of the</i> <i>Moving Image</i>	13)
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21)	22) <b>MHM Zoom #1</b> with Rene Ball and George Porterfield 10:00am <b>BAGS Board</b> <b>Meeting</b> 6:30pm	23)	24)	25)	26) <b>Clayton Library</b> Online Virtual Program 2pm <i>It Takes</i> <i>a Village: Community</i> <i>Research</i>	27) <b>BAGS Monthly</b> <b>Meeting - Members</b> <b>Potluck/ Show and</b> <b>Tell</b> University Baptist Church, 12:00pm
28)	29) <b>MHM Zoom #1</b> with Rene Ball and George Porterfield 10:00am <b>MHM Zoom #2</b> with Kim Zrubek 7:00pm	30)	31)	1) <b>What's New in</b> <b>Family Tree Maker?</b>  4-6pm Friendswood Public Library		

# SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1) <b>What's New in Family Tree Maker?</b> 4-6pm Friendswood Public Library <b>Clayton Library Face2Face</b> 1pm <i>Labor Day: Our Ancestors and Their World of Work</i>	2)	3)
4) <b>MHM Zoom #3</b> with Kim Zrubek 1pm	5) <b>MHM Zoom #1</b> with Rene Ball and George Porterfield 10:00am <b>MHM Zoom #2</b> with Kim Zrubek 7:00pm	6) <b>Clayton Library Bus Trip</b> 9:15am 16511 Diana Ln. Houston, TX	7)	8)	9) <b>Clayton Library</b> Online Virtual Program 2pm <i>Uncover Your Family's Story Using the Periodical</i>	10)
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25)	26) <b>MHM Zoom #1</b> with Rene Ball and George Porterfield 10:00am <b>BAGS Board Meeting</b> 6:30pm	27)	28)	29)	30) <b>BAGS Monthly Meeting</b> – virtual, Gale French Google Earth. <a href="#">Register here</a>	



# BAGS NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



## Welcome New Members

**Joe & Linda Stiles AND Debbie Gleaves!**

### OPEN POSITIONS - WE NEED YOUR HELP!

#### OFFICER NEEDED:

**2nd Vice President** in charge of monthly programming

#### CHANGES TO BAGS BYLAWS

The fiscal year has been changed from September 1-August 31 to calendar year Jan 1-Dec 31.

## BAY AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY JOURNAL

All our past journals are available on the [Members Only](#) page of our website.

### WE NEED MEMBERS TO CONTRIBUTE ARTICLES!

Do you have a story to tell of your ancestors? Think about sharing your methodology in cracking that familial question that has long been on your mind. The society strives to have our members share their findings, tips, and methods applied to reach back to the next generation or find that lost uncle. Consider sharing by submitting one of your written records.

Todd Roberts, Journal Editor, has composed a [“Journal Article Submissions Q&A”](#) answering some of the more common questions about submitting an article for print.

Email submissions to Todd at [journal@txbayareagen.org](mailto:journal@txbayareagen.org) or to inquire about additional information.



## BAG\$ Report

by Susie Ganch, Treasurer

### **Treasurer Report of ASSETS**

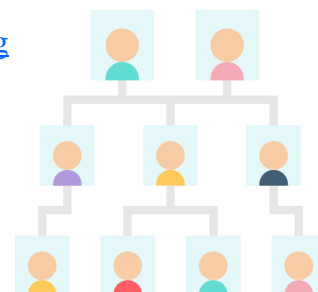
*June 30, 2022*

BAGS CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$2034.44
BAGS SAVINGS ACCOUNT	\$11,859.27
CD SHARE CERTIFICATE (\$6,086.99 Transferred into Savings Account)	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b>TOTAL MONETARY ASSETS</b>	<b>\$13,893.71</b>

## Member Pedigree Chart Submissions

All members are encouraged to submit a pedigree chart of their family. The chart does not need to be complete and vital information about living relatives may be omitted. The chart will be available for members to review on the [Members Only](#) page **“Pedigree Charts of Our Members.”**

Sharing your information could create a connection with other researchers that can help! Submit a chart or ask questions and get assistance from Anita Cooper via email to [pedigree@TxBayAreaGen.org](mailto:pedigree@TxBayAreaGen.org)





### Online Research Sessions (via ZOOM teleconferencing) (Members Helping Members)

If you need to brainstorm a research brick wall, gather suggestions, learn how to use an online resource, ask questions, give help, or just visit with other genealogists, join in with either or both of the sessions, with or without video. Participants can share their screens and demonstrate recent research discoveries.

The latest access details are posted on the BAGS [Members Helping Members Page](#).

**# 1 Weekly: Mondays from 10:00 AM to noon join moderator Renee Ball and George Porterfield.**

**#2: Weekly: Mondays from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM join moderator Kim Zrubek.**

**#3 : Monthly: 1st Sunday from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM**

If you would like to practice using Zoom or have questions connecting to a session, contact **Kim Zrubek** by email [education@txbayareagen.org](mailto:education@txbayareagen.org) or by phone 281-992-2636.

### Do you have brick walls that need to come down?

Join the **Brick Wall Busters Special Interest Group (SIG)** and let us help you by providing new research paths to break down that wall!



Each brick wall will be briefly presented by an attendee, then the meeting will be opened to suggestions from the group. When sharing, members will be asked to share their screen to allow other members to view their research and the problem. Hopefully, the group will be able to offer additional avenues to search. Remember, the more you can tell us about what you know (and don't know) plus where you have already researched, the more we can help you! Attendees do NOT have to submit a brick wall to participate in the meeting. All are welcome to contribute to the discussion. Items to consider including when sharing your brick wall challenge: research question, timeline, family tree, list of resources already consulted, and/or a paragraph summary.

**SUNDAY, September 11th from 1:00pm-3:00pm**

**[REGISTER HERE](#)**

### German Special Interest Group

The BAGS German SIG started their second year in October 2021.

Meetings are on the second Wednesday evening of each month, 7:00—8:30 pm via ZOOM.



**SEPTEMBER 14  
OCTOBER 12  
NOVEMBER 9**



Anticipated topics for the coming year include *Identifying your German ancestor's hometown, Learning more about your ancestor's hometown, German Script, German naming conventions and variations, Familienbuchs, Church records, Civil records*, and more!

If you are interested in joining this group, please complete the [German SIG Interest Survey](#) on our website.

# LOCAL LIBRARY UPDATES

## In-Person BAGS Members-Only Research Sessions at the Friendswood Family History Center

Dates: August 17th & September 21st from 9:30am to 11:30am

The library is located at 505 Deseret Dr, Friendswood, TX ([map](#)).  
Enter building on the side furthest from the street.

The center is open to the public for research:  
10:00am - 12:00pm, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday  
7:00pm - 9:00pm, Tuesday evenings



## Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research

### Library Hours

Tues, Wed, Fri, and Sat — 10am to 5pm  
Thurs — Noon to 7pm

*The library is now open fully for browsing and conducting research at tables during business hours. Masks are encouraged, but it is not required. Limited service is offered by either email requests to [cla.reference@houstontx.gov](mailto:cla.reference@houstontx.gov) or phone (832) 393-2600.*



### FACE2FACE GENEALOGY

THURS, Aug 4 1:00 — 2:00PM [Using Research Centers for Genealogical Research](#)

THURS, Sept 1 1:00 — 2:00PM [Labor Day: Our Ancestors and Their World of Work](#)

### ONLINE VIRTUAL PROGRAM

FRI, Aug 12, 2:00 PM — 3:00 PM [Texas Archive of the Moving Image](#)  
*with Elizabeth Hansen of the TX Archive of the Moving Image*

FRI, Aug 26, 2:00 PM — 3:00 PM [It Takes a Village: Community Research](#)  
*with Diana Smith*

FRI, Sept 9, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM [Uncover Your Family's Story Using the Periodic Source Index](#)  
*with Elizabeth Hodges*

FRI, Sep 16, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM [Tracing Ancestors through Revolutionary Mexico](#)  
*with Lisa Medina*

Visit the library's website— <https://claytonlibraryfriends.org/events> for more details

On each program. Pre-registration is required to attend.

A link to REGISTER your choice of events is included in each description



## GENEALOGY WORD SEARCH

### "Occasional Genealogy"

#### Terminology

Adoption  
Ancestry  
Aunt  
Birth  
Cemetery  
Cousin  
Documentation  
Family  
Father  
Grandparents  
Legal  
Maiden Name  
Marriage  
Married Name  
Microfilm  
Mother  
Obituary  
Roots  
Siblings  
Uncle  
Vital records



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Puzzle created using Discovery Education's puzzle maker - <http://puzzlemaker.discoveryeducation.com>

### Bus Trips to Clayton Library

Mark your calendars! BAGS is continuing free bus trips to Clayton Library in Houston scheduled for the following dates:

**Tuesday, August 16th**

**Friday, October 14th**

**Tuesday, September 6th**

**Wednesday, November 9th**

**Wednesday December 7th**

If you are interested in attending the August 16 trip, please contact Kathleen Williams ASAP at [countycoord@txbayareagen.org](mailto:countycoord@txbayareagen.org) or 409-344-0567. A minimum of 10 people must be confirmed at least 2 weeks in advance. Make sure to include your cell phone number to receive a reminder about the trip.

Meet in the parking lot at *Clear Lake City Sports and Recreation Complex*, located **16511 Diana Lane at 9:15am**. The bus arrives between 9:15 and 9:30 and depart promptly at 9:30am. Although masks are recommended on the bus and at the library, they are not required. Please bring a lunch. Tables are available outside to sit and eat. Consider bringing a flash drive to save records from the computer and change in coin and dollar bills to make copies. Dress in layers! The temperature can vary from upstairs to downstairs. Return trip is planned to Diana Lane by 4 p.m.