Society Meeting
Highland Park Baptist Church
5206 Balcones Drive, Austin, Texas
Tuesday, February 27, 2007

6:30 P.M. - Doors Open
7:15 P. M. Meeting & Program Begin

Meet & Greet New Friends
Our Help Desk is Open to Assist you with Research Questions
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Upcoming Events

PROGRAM

Please join us for the February 27th meeting of the
Austin Genealogical Society, when our speaker will be
Jerry Drake, M. A., the Director of Archives and
Records for the Texas General Land Office. Mr. Drake
will be discussing the Preserve Texas History program
in addition to the highlighting ways the GLO archives
are a valuable resource for genealogists.

The following information is taken from the General
Land Office web site.

The Republic of Texas Congress established the
General Land Office in 1836 shortly after Texas won
its independence from Mexico. The General Land
Office was originally responsible for managing the
public domain by collecting and keeping records,
providing maps and surveys and issuing land titles.

The story of Texas lands is told through the archival
map collection of the General Land Office, consisting
of more than 10,000 maps. To save the maps and
documents of Texas history, we must win the battle
against the effects of age and overuse.

The history of Texas land is also found in the
documents related to land transactions of the past
300 years. The Archives of the Texas General Land
Office house 35 million documents, including field
notes, land grants, land scrip, letters and registries-
some dating to the era of Spanish rule. Many of the
documents exist only in the Land Office archives and
represent irreplaceable treasures of Texas History.

The Digital Preservation Project, initiated by Land
Office staff in 2000, seeks to digitally scan all 35
million documents in the GLO Archives and convert
them into electronic images.

The General Land Office is located at:
1700 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas
1-800-998-4GLO
<www.glo.state.tx.us/>

Tommy Ingram
Program Chairman

AGS January 2007 Board Meeting Report

After approving the 2007 AGS budget recommended
by Janis Trayler and the budget committee, the board
heard reports from Cindy Foreman on the plans for
the education committee’s upcoming classes. Tommy
Ingram reported on the 2007 program schedule. Edna
Youngblood reported about the membership
committee and Alana Mallard on the new format for
the AGS publication formerly called the Quarterly
( awaiting a new name).

In addition, we discussed the letter-writing campaign
to encourage the Texas State Library and Archives to
reinstate their Saturday library hours. Connie Perdue
highlighted our plan to engage the Austin Public
Library in a discussion about a future genealogy
collection in the new library.

Kay Boyd announced the scheduled June Bus Trip to
Houston’s Clayton Library. Beverly Locklin
emphasized the need for additional publicity for the
upcoming AGS Seminar in May.

Tommy Ingram
### AGS Profit & Loss Statement
#### January - December 2006

#### Ordinary Income/Expense

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| **Net Ordinary Income**                    | **$584.44** |

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| **Net Other Income**                       | **6.36**   |

| **Net Income**                             | **$590.80** |

### Liabilities & Equity

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| **Total Liabilities & Equity**               | **$16,129.71** |

Janice Trayler  
Treasurer

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Salt Lake City Research Trip  
**October 7-13, 2007**

We are so pleased to announce that plans have been finalized for our 2007 research trip to Salt Lake City. We have 30 seats reserved on Frontier Airline for approximately $305 each (taxes can vary.)

The rest of the package is $325 for double occupancy. This includes 6 hotel nights, our group dinner, our hospitality room (including snacks), transportation to/from the airport, and transportation to/from Relative Genetics DNA lab, for those of you who would like to take that tour either again, or for the first time. That tour will be offered on Monday evening when the library is closed. If you are not an AGS member, the cost of the trip is an additional $25.

If you would like to sign up for this trip, please send a $50 deposit (make your check payable to AGS), but mail to Pat Oxley, 2012 Red Oak Circle, Round Rock, TX 78681. Please let me know if you wish to use one of the plane seats and if you will have single or double occupancy for your room. I need to know if you have or need a roommate.

Pat Oxley

#### Bus Trip to Clayton Library, Houston, Texas

Mark your calendars. A bus has been reserved for Monday, June 4, 2007 to take researchers to Houston for a full day at the Clayton Genealogy Library. The cost is $40 for AGS members and $45 for nonmembers. This includes breakfast on the trip down and a boxed supper on the trip home. More information as the time nears.

Kay Boyd  
mkdb1405@aol.com/836-7484
UPCOMING EVENTS CONT....

AGS Picnic
Think, Summer, Think June!
Our Annual Picnic will be held this June

Now is a good time to start thinking about what memorabilia, family books, pictures, etc. you would like to share.

Look for more information and ideas in the coming months.

Edna Youngblood

Tabor/Ellison Family Reunion & Dedication Ceremony
Confederate Memorial Day
Sunday, April 15, 2007
At Clear Fork Cemetery in Caldwell Co., Texas

If you plan to attend the event, please contact M. C. Forister at mcforister@netzero.net or Ph. (512) 441-1280 for more information and to let M. C. know if you will be attending the dinner. To determine the cost of the lunch, a head count in needed to provide the caterer with the number of people attending. M. C. will be asking for donations for the dinner and for the headstones.

OTHER SOCIETY NEWS

Volunteer Greeters
We are glad to have Richard Foster, whom most of you know from checking in at the back desk, to help us with another project.

We have some nice volunteers who help greet visitors and new members when they arrive for a meeting. Richard has agreed to schedule the greeters so they don’t have to work often and can participate in the other things going on before the program begins.

If you are interested in helping we can use a few more volunteers. Please, let Richard or me know and we will put you on the list. Then Richard will call you to remind you of your day.

Thank you, Richard, for taking this on!

Edna Youngblood,
Membership Chair
Ednayoungblood@austin.rr.com

Welcome New Members

Cynthia H. Barnhart  Peter Ryan
Cindy Hunter         Mary Scrudder
Gayle Opie           Nancy Stevens
Frances L. Marsh     Linda Wageck
Terri Hoover Mirka

Visitors Welcomed to the January Meeting
Janice Culp
Nancy Stevens (now a new member)

Holdings of the Center for American History

Most researchers know that the Center for American History has an extensive collection of Texas city and county newspapers, but they also have a U. S. Newspaper Collection. This collection contains titles from around the United States, covering at least 40 states. These files are limited to the few dates listed or an incomplete, brief date run.

A significant part of this collection consists of several hundred linear feet of newspapers published in every state of the Confederacy from the 1790s through the early 1900s. Holdings include extensive runs of early newspapers in hard copy from Charleston, South Carolina (1795-1942), Augusta, Georgia (1806-1865), New Orleans, Louisiana (1837-1914), and Little Rock, Arkansas (1819-1863).

Many issues are scarce or extremely rare, including the only known copies of several important antebellum Louisiana and Mississippi newspapers. Many of these newspapers are in Original Format (OR), and cannot be photocopied.

The holdings also contain newspapers from Chicago, New York, Massachusetts and other states. Patrons have the option of photographing these newspapers themselves with no additional lighting and under the direct supervision of the Reading Room staff. The center also has some foreign newspapers.

To assist in finding holdings of the Center of American History, try this listing of archives, manuscripts, newspapers, etc. <www.cah.utexas.edu/services/finding_items/>.

The library is open 10-5 Monday through Friday and Saturday 9-2 when classes are in session. Call 495-4515 for more information. Free parking with daily permits.

Condolences

Alice Donnell Guelker, 74, died Tuesday, January 23, 2007. She is survived by her husband, Clarence Guelker, longtime AGS member, one son and two daughters and their families, a sister and brother. Burial was in Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio, Texas.
LAST CHANCE FOR YOUR NAME TO BE LISTED IN THE NEW DIRECTORY

If you have not paid your dues, you may want to do so now.

The deadline for getting your name in the directory is February 27, 2007.

February is merely as long as needed to pass the time until March

Dr. J. R. Stockton

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