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Program Computer Genealogy

10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Saturday, July 21, 2007

Yarbrough Branch, Austin Public Library
2200 Hancock Drive, Austin, Texas

There will not be a regular Tuesday night meeting in July

"Computer Genealogy - What You Know and What You Don't"

This two-hour program will be held at the Yarbrough Branch of the Austin Public Library, 2200 Hancock Drive, from 10:30 a. m.- until 12:30 p.m. (There will not be a regular Tuesday night meeting in July.)

Harold Hudnall, John Marostica and Tommy Ingram will be speaking about aspects of doing your genealogy on your computer, including some "roads less traveled."

The Yarbrough Branch has wi-fi internet connections and you are welcome to bring your laptop computer and follow along. We will not provide one-on-one training at this program - if you bring your laptop, we cannot help you with personal coaching during the program. We will be glad to take questions.

Tommy Ingram

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AGS Fall Genealogy Classes

Watch for details in the August Newsletter
about

AGS Fall Beginning Genealogy Classes
present by the
Educational Committee

From the Board...

There was no Board meeting this month due to the indoor picnic festivities. A summer Board retreat will be held on July 14, 2007.

Salt Lake City Research Trip

It's not too late to sign up for the AGS Salt Lake City Research Trip. The cutoff for signing up is August 1, 2007. The trip will be Sunday, October 7 - Saturday, October 13, 2007. We do have a few plane tickets left in our block and several hotel rooms still available.

Please contact Pat Oxley as soon as possible if you're interested in joining us for this fun and informative trip. If you'd like more details about the trip, please e-mail Pat Oxley at pat@theoxleys.com or call her at (512) 733-5993.

Pat Oxley

AGS Picnic

I would like to thank all the volunteers who helped make the picnic a success. We had a large attendance and even the weather held out for us to arrive and leave without getting soaked.

Everyone seemed to enjoy the food and the displays. We had 21 tables of wonderful displays, which I believe is the most we have had. A lot of work went into making them so interesting and they were appreciated by all attending.

Alana took pictures which we hope to have to share with you at one of our meetings.

Edna Youngblood

Christmas is Five Months Away!

If your ancestor was in Travis County by 1880, you and your family can qualify for a Travis County Pioneer Certificate. Start now gathering your information to apply for your Pioneer Certificate. The form can be downloaded from www.austintxgensoc.org or be mailed to you.

These certificates are attractive and are delivered in a nice document holder suitable for framing. Send in your supporting documents proving residency along with your \$20.00 and the certificate will be mailed or delivered to you in time for Christmas giving. Contact Kay Boyd at 836-7484 or mkdb1405@aol.com. for more information.

Information on Researchers

AGS often receives requests from people who are looking for someone to do research for them. If you do lookups or research for others, please send me your name and what you are willing to do and if you charge. I do some cemetery, obit and Travis County and Caldwell County lookups, but that is all of the time I have available. I will keep this information for future requests. Contact Kay Boyd 836-7484, mkdb1405@aol.com.

Native American Census

Ancestry.com the world's leading online family history resource, today launched more than 7.5 million names in U. S. Indian Censuses, the largest online collection of Native American family history records.

Taken by the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the censuses document some 150 years of Native American family history. These censuses create an intimate portrait of individuals living on all registered Indian reservations between 1885 and the 1940s.

About U. S. Indian Census Schedules, 1885-1940

This database contains an index to the Indian census rolls from 1885-1940. Information contained in this database includes: name (Indian and/or English), gender; age; birth date; relationship to head of family; marital status; tribe name; agency name and reservation name.

If you do not have a paid subscription to Ancestry.com, this and other databases are available at your local branch library.

Sources: Dick Eastman June 2007 Newsletter, Ancestry.com.

Kay Boyd

Digitized Newspapers Online

Approximately 310, 000 digitized newspaper pages, dating from 1900 to 1910, are now accessible through the Chronicling America Web site at www.loc.gov/chroniclingamerica/. The site is a project of the National Digital Newspaper Program (NDNP), a partnership between the Library of Congress and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

NEH has just announced that eight awards to institutions, totaling \$2,577,666, have been made to continue and expand the program. The program is also expanding the time period of newspapers that may be digitized to 1880-1910.

NDNP is a long-term effort to develop an internet-based, searchable database of U. S. newspapers with select digitization of historic pages, as well as information about newspapers from 1690 to the present. Supported by NEH's "We the People" program and Digital Humanities Initiative, this rich digital resource will continue to be developed and permanently maintained at the Library of Congress.

Ultimately, over 20 years, NDNP will create a national digital resource of historically significant newspapers published between 1836 and 1922 from all the states and U.S. territories. Also on the Web site, an accompanying national newspaper directory of bibliographic and holdings information directs users to newspaper titles in all types of formats. The information in the directory was created through an earlier NEH initiative: the United States Newspaper Program. The Library of Congress is also digitizing and contributing to the NDNP database a significant number of newspaper pages drawn from its own collections during the course of this partnership.

New features in Chronicling America include:

- * 80,000 pages have been added (including 11 new titles).
- * The page display has been revised. Adobe Flash Player is no longer needed for viewing.
- * Persistent links are now displayed for every title record and page view. The persistent link enables a user to always return to the same place on the site, and it can be used for citations and hyper-linking to specific newspaper pages or newspaper title information.
- * Searches can be saved.

Source: From the June 15, 2007 Press Release: <http://www.loc.gov/today/pr/2007/07-132.html> and on tx-ags-request@rootsweb.com, June 20, 2007.

Preservation Tip of the Month by Becky Schipper

A conservator is a professional whose occupation is the care, restoration and repair of objects, collections, and specimens. Through education, knowledge, training, and experience a conservator devises a plan of action and implements conservation processes that are appropriate for a particular item. Conservators specialize in object types, some of which are paper, books, photographs, paintings, furniture, textiles and buildings. Selecting a conservator for your particular need should include checking references and looking at samples of the conservators work. American Institute for Conservation's guide to Conservation Services is a free referral service that also provides a helpful brochure, "Guidelines for Selecting a Conservator." < <http://aic.stanford.edu/> >

Source: Genealogy Gems: News from Fort Wayne Library, # 40, June 30, 2007.

Austin Genealogical Society
Profit & Loss
May 2007

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Bus Trip	580.00
Contributions Rec'd	417.00
Envelope Collections	45.00
Membership Dues Rec'd. 07 Dues	<u>170.00</u>
Total Membership Dues Rec'd	170.00
Misc. Income	248.00
Sales-Earned Revenues	<u>1,782.30</u>
Total Income	3,242.30
Cost of Goods Sold	
Cost of Goods Sold	<u>751.00</u>
Total Cost of Goods Sold	<u>751.00</u>
Gross Profit	<u>\$2,491.30</u>
Expense	
Education	
Annual Seminar	1,027.34
Program Expense (other)	208.50
Program Expense (spkr. copies)	<u>6.40</u>
Total Education	1,242.24
Operating Expense	
Bank Fees	11.27
Equip.(Purch./Rent & Maint.)	22.98
Miscellaneous Expense	362.22
Printing & Copying	288.51
Rent - Meeting Rooms	3,866.80
Supplies and Materials	<u>53.98</u>
Total Operating Expenses	4,605.76
Research Trip Expenses	
Bus Trip Expenses (07 Bus Trip)	<u>1,220.00</u>
Total Bus Trip Expenses	<u>1,220.00</u>
Total Research Trip Expense	1,220.00
Total Expense	7,068.00
Net Ordinary Income	- 4,576.70
Other Income/Expense	
Other Income	
Interest Earned	<u>3.72</u>
Total Other Income	<u>3.72</u>
Net Other Income	<u>3.72</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-\$4572.98</u></u>

Austin Genealogical Society
Balance Sheet
As of May 31, 2007

ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Wells Fargo	
AGS Operating Acct...6054	2,708.51
CD	5,000.00
Savings Acct...5679	<u>8,054.64</u>
Total Wells Fargo	<u>15,763.15</u>
Total Checking/Savings	15,763.15

Other Current Assets	
Bulk Mail	371.01
Inventory Assets	- 399.00
Prepaid Rent	300.00
Undeposited	<u>80.00</u>
Total Other Current Assets	352.01
Total Current Assets	<u>16,115.16</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$16,115.16</u>
Liabilities & Equity	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Other Current Liabilities	
Research Trip Travelers Deposits	
07 SLC Trip	<u>-280.00</u>
Total Research Trip Traveler Deposits	-280.00
Sales Tax Payable	<u>11.34</u>
Total Other Current Liabilities	-268.66
Total Current Liabilities	<u>-268.66</u>
Total Liabilities	-268.66
Equity	
Retained Earnings	17,313.67
Net Income	-929.85
Total Equity	<u>16,383.82</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>\$16,115.16</u>

Treasure's Note: The loss for May is a result of incurring the majority of the expense for the seminar in May, while the income for the seminar was received in prior months.

Janis Traylor,
Treasurer

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Welcome New Members

Ronald R. Bush LaVerne & Robert Lindsey

Michael D. Stamm

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Congratulations

M. C. Forister, longtime AGS member, was honored recently at the UDC Jefferson Davis Luncheon. M. C. was presented the prestigious Judah P. Benjamin Award from the United Daughters of the Confederacy.

The Judah P. Benjamin award is given to honor individuals for their outstanding civic, conservation; educational; environmental; humanitarian or patriotic endeavors and achievements not necessarily related to the Confederacy.

M. C.'s goal, has been since the 1970s, is to see that all special children get the right kind of help and a better life. M. C. was also recognized as a Special Education Pioneer in an article by Mary Drennon in the South Texas Living section of the Wilson County News in February 2006.

New Books: TSL Genealogy Collection

(Only the Dewey Decimal System call numbers for the states, subject or country are listed. Some titles may be abbreviated to conserve space.)

FAMILY HISTORY: 929.2

Coming Home to Colony: the story of Samuel Jenkins and Jane Brown

The Denisons: a Texas Family with Connecticut and Tennessee Roots

The Heberer Family

The Wheelers & the Hammack/Hammocks from 1600s Virginia to Texas, etc.

Zachariah Prince and Descendants, 1807-2005, etc.

GEORGIA: 975.8

Oglethorpe Co. GA Newspaper Extracts: 1874-1881

TEXAS: 976.4

1850 & 1860 Federal Census, Smith County, Texas

Bell County, Texas Marriage Licenses 1850-1899
Marriage Records of Washington Cty., TX 1836 - 1909
Gonzales County Texas Cemeteries
Session Minutes & Church Register of the Tehuacana
Cumberland Presbyterian Church, Tehuacana, TX
1900 - 1916

String Prairie Cemetery: Milam County, Texas

Texas Naturalizations to 1906: Webb County

TENNESSEE: 976.8

Cumulative Index, 1964 - 2002 to East Tennessee

Historical Society's Publications, # 36 - 61, 1964 -
1989 & the Journal of East Tennessee History, #
62 - 74, 1990 - 2002

For more details information on new books in the TSL Genealogy Collection, go to the Library Catalog of Texas State Agencies @ <www.tsl.state.tx.us/catalog>. Click on New Material & Library Info. From the New Material List click on TSLAC Genealogy. New books are usually displayed on the shelves just inside the entrance to the Genealogy Collection.

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