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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

s some of our members may be aware, on June 22, the Executive Board voted to return the residual portion of a grant the Friends received in 1998 Ifrom the Huffington Foundation. (This explains the negative figure under "restricted gifts" in the treasurer's report on page 2.) When received, the grant was restricted for the purchase of books and microfilm selected by Mrs. Phyllis Huffington, a director of the Friends during 1998 and 1999. Every effort was made over the years to acquire the materials Mrs. Huffington wanted for the library; however, at the time of her death in November of last year, several thousand dollars of the grant funds had not been expended and, subsequently, we were unsuccessful in obtaining any further guidance directly from the Foundation. The Executive Board worked through an intermediary to identify and to purchase several additional items; however, we were not able to spend the remainder of the funds in a timely manner, due in part to difficulties in obtaining permission to acquire some of the microfilm that was desired.

Some have expressed the opinion that the Friends intended to apply the Huffington Foundation's gift in a manner inconsistent with the wishes of the Foundation. This is certainly not the case. In any event, the Board, seeking to avoid even the appearance of impropriety, and not wishing to further delay closure on this matter, elected to return the unspent funds to the Huffington Foundation.

The decision was implemented in a letter to the Foundation on June 29.

exas Records Project Ready to Roll

he Clayton Library Friends Texas Records Microfilming Project is getting under full steam this summer. Due to a shortage of manpower at the Records Management Unit of the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and the fact that CLF was the "low man on

the totem pole" in terms of filming priorities, only a few of the many authorized microfilmed series are on the shelf at Clayton (see list below). This is changing soon because CLF has enough material needing to be filmed that the microfilming unit is hiring a person just to handle the CLF project.

The excitement generated by this project, the brainchild of Clayton Manager Margaret "Marje" Harris, is continuing to bring in large contributions (see related story concerning Texas City Ancestry Searchers), with foundations and corporations asking CLF to apply for funding for more microfilming.

CLF is microfilming records and thus preserving Texas history. CLF is also producing a series of calendars, indexes, and finding aids available to anyone on CDs in Adobe Acrobat .pdf format. Bound Continued on page 3



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ASSETS

Clayton Library Friends Financial Report

Balance Sheet As of 06/30/04

Balance

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	620 - Tax Services		
	650 - M&G Printing & Mailing	369.00	
	660 - Office Supplies	297.56	
	670 - P.O. Box Rental	126.00	
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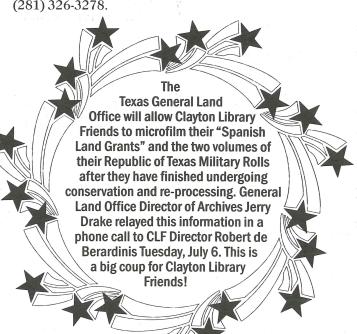
Endowment Fund Manager Selected

approved the selection of Goodman Financial Corporation for management of the CLF Endowment Fund. This brings to an end a five-month process that included: development and approval of an investment management policy, the establishment of criteria for evaluation of prospective fund managers, and the selection of a single fund manager.

Goodman Financial Corporation, a locally owned company with offices in the Galleria area, will assume responsibility for supervising and directing the investments of the Endowment Fund in accordance with the CLF Investment Policy Statement of April 22, 2004. The initial period of performance will be one year, subject to further extension as approved by the CLF Executive Board. While under management, funds of the CLF Endowment will be held in a CLF account with TD Waterhouse Investor Services.

Initially, CLF will place \$724,007 of the Endowment under Goodman's management. A separate \$100,000 portion of the Endowment is currently invested in a certificate of deposit with Woodforest National Bank and will remain there until maturity in October 2005.

The CLF Endowment fund is established as a perpetual source of current income for use in funding CLF programs, principal of which is the purchasing of books, microfilm, and periodicals for the Clayton Library. CLF members interested in contributing to the CLF Endowment Fund, designating a bequest to the Endowment, or establishing a charitable remainder trust for the benefit of the Endowment are asked to contact CLF Treasurer Don Pusch, (281) 326-3278.



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versions of all the finding aids will be found at Clayton Library, both on the shelves in the "Texas" area and in the microfilm area for microfilm use. These finding aids also contain the list of contributors up to that point in time.

THE WRIT DECREASERS

Some of the items being prepared locally are the extant writs of the Texas State Appeals Court, First District Houston, 1895–1960. With assistance from Harris County Archivist Sarah Canby Jackson who generously helped with the restoration of some writs and CLF Volunteers Rae Calvert, Norma Eriksen, Myron Steves, and Milton Waghalter, the "Writ Decreasers," all of the writs have been restored. They are waiting indexing, then they will be filmed.

THE TYPING LADIES

The finding aids would not have been made possible without the backbreaking labor of the "Typing Ladies." They turned typed material into computer format, not just for CLF's benefit, but also for the Texas State Archives. The "Typing Ladies" are CLF Volunteers Mary Austill, Jane Brown, Grace S. Cooper, Gerri Coy, Ruby Vigneaux Dusek, Laura Epps, Katie Hartz, Sharon McClung, Winifred McNabb, and Verna Odena. They will be turning into computer format for both CLF and the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, the Index to Texas Confederate Audited Military Claims, the Index to the Texas Confederate Audited Civil Claims as well as a number of other indexes and finding aids.

CLF FINDING AIDS

The finding aids (awaiting cataloging downtown by HPL) are:

Volume 1—Robert Schaadt, comp. The Calendar of the Atascosito Archives, 1826–1836, Edited by Robert de Berardinis (Houston: Clayton Library Friends, 2004).

Volume 2—Texas General Land Office, The Official Clayton Library Friends Index and Guide to the Microfilm Edition of the Republic of Texas Donation Voucher Files, 1879–1887, and Confederate Scrip Voucher Files, 1881–1883, in the Texas General Land Office, Edited by Robert de Berardinis (Houston: Clayton Library Friends, 2004).

Volume 3—Paul Beck, Anthony Black, Jean Carefoot, & Connie Hoxie, The Official Clayton

Library Friends Guide to Microfilmed Texas Civil Records, 1826–1868, Edited by Robert de Berardinis (Houston: Clayton Library Friends, 2004).

Volume 4—Anthony Black, Jean Carefoot, and the Texas General Land Office, *The Official Clayton Library Friends Guide to Microfilmed Texas Military Records*, 1835–1861, Edited by Robert de Berardinis (Houston: Clayton Library Friends, 2004).

Volume 5—Anthony Black, Jean Carefoot, and the Texas General Land Office, *The Official Clayton Library Friends Guide to Microfilmed Texas Military Records*, 1855–1866, Edited by Robert de Berardinis (Houston: Clayton Library Friends, 2004).

Volume 6—Texas State Library and Archives Commission, The Official Clayton Library Friends Guide to Indigent Texas Confederate Families, 1863–65, Indexed by Surname, Edited by Robert de Berardinis (Houston: Clayton Library Friends, 2004).

Volume 7—Texas State Library and Archives Commission, The Official Clayton Library Friends Guide to Indigent Texas Confederate Families, 1863–65, Indexed by County, Edited by Robert de Berardinis (Houston: Clayton Library Friends, 2004).

FILM AT CLAYTON

To date, the following series of records at the Sam Houston Regional Library, the Texas State Appeals Court, First District Houston, the Texas General Land Office, and the Texas State Archives have been filmed:

- 1. Nacogdoches Archives, Boxes 49 and 50,
- 2. The Appellant-Appellee and Appellant-Appellee Dockets Books, 1892–1970, of the Court of Civil Appeals, now the Texas State Appeals Court, First District, Houston,
- 3. The Hardin Papers, Part I, "The Atascosito District Archives," 1826–36,
- 4. Index to the Military Rolls of the Navy of the Republic of Texas, 1836–46, "Index by Sailor's Name,"
- 5. Index to the Military Rolls of the Navy of the Republic of Texas, 1836–46, "Index by Ship's Name,"
- 6. Index to Memorials and Petitions of the Republic & State of Texas, 1837–1937,

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- 7. Index to Texas Colonists, 1835-46, and
- 8. Confederate Scrip Voucher Files, 1881–1883.

YET TO BE MICROFILMED

The following series are yet to be microfilmed. This represents all of the records from the Texas Adjutant General's Department up to 1861 and all of the rolls and records to 1865. Additionally, scarcely known records are in the queue, such as the passports and colonization records, comprised primarily of records relating to Germans entering Texas during the Republic Era. They are:

- 1. Records Relating to Colonization, 1826–73,
- 2. Military Rolls of the Republic of Texas, 1835–46,
 - Texas Revolution Military Rolls, 1835–36,
 - United States Volunteers Military Rolls, 1835–37, 1842,
 - Army of the Republic Military Rolls, 1836–42,
 - Republic of Texas Militia Military Rolls, 1836–45,
 - Republic of Texas Minute Men Military Rolls, 1841–42,
 - Campaigns of 1842 Military Rolls, 1842,
 - Republic of Texas Navy Military Rolls, 1835–46, and
 - © Copies of Military Rolls, 1838–39, 1842.
- 3. Republic of Texas Army Papers, 1835–46,
 - Army Correspondence, 1835–46,
 - Records of the Quartermaster General, 1835–46,
 - Records of the Subsistence Department, 1836–42,
 - Records of the Ordnance Department, 1835–46,
 - Records of the Commissary General of Purchases, 1835–42,
 - Records of the Medical Department, 1835, 1837, 1839–42,
 - Records of the Pay Department, 1835–45,
 - Records of the Commissioners for Fortifying Galveston Island, 1843–46, and

- **♥** Wrappers, 1835–46.
- 4. Republic of Texas Navy Papers, 1835–55,
 - Navy Correspondence, 1835–47, 1852, 1855,
 - Pursers' Records, 1835-46, and
 - Other Financial Records, 1836–47.
- 5. Index to Passenger Lists for Ships Arriving in Texas, 1836–46,
- 6. Passenger Lists for Ships Arriving in Texas, 1836–46.
- 7. Warrant Registers/Memoranda of Drafts (Republic of Texas), 1836–46,
- 8. Passports Issued by the Department of State, Republic of Texas, 1836–45, 1858,
- 9. Bonds and Oaths of County and Republic Officials of Texas, 1837–44.
- 10. Records of the Texas Rangers of the Republic of Texas, 1839–46,
 - Republic Ranger Quartermaster Records and
 - Republic Ranger Accounts and Abstracts.
- 11. Ante-Bellum Military Rolls of the Texas Rangers, 1846–61,
- 12. Ante-Bellum Records of the Texas Rangers, 1846–67.
 - Correspondence, 1846–61,
 - Powers of Attorney, 1852–62,
 - Quartermaster Records, 1850–62, Undated,
 - **☼** Index to Pay Rolls, 1861, 1867,
 - **☼** Jackets and Wrappers, 1848–60, and
 - Transcripts, Photostats, and Notes, 1850–61.
- 13. Adjutant General's Department, Departmental Correspondence, 1846–61,
- 14. Registers and Indexes of Republic of Texas Public Debt Claims, 1848–61,
- 15. Naturalization Declarations of Intent, 1855, 1867–69, of the Texas Supreme Court, Galveston Term,
- 16. Civil War Military Rolls, 1855–65,
- 17. Army of the United States Military Rolls, 1860–65,

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INSTANT IMMORTALITY

ow would you like to donate to the CLF Texas Records Microfilming Project and in return gain immortality for you and a memorial of your choice on the title page of the microfilm? Sounds too good to be true, doesn't it? It isn't, and only CLF can offer this immortality. If you wish to pay in full for a series, CLF will put, if you wish, your name and a memorial, e.g., "In Loving Memory of..." on the title page and subsequent title pages in that series. An example is shown in the insert for the Ante-Bellum Records of the Texas Rangers. If interested, please contact Robert de Berardinis at redeb@wt.net or (713) 266-1692 before sending check.

You're not interested in what you see here? Please call Robert because there is a lengthy list of additional items.

- 1. \$572.00 Minute Men Military Rolls, 1865–66. Includes State Police Military Rolls, 1870–73 and State Guard Military Rolls, 1870–72.
- 2. \$530.00 Reserve Militia Military Rolls, 1870–73. Includes Provisional State Troops Military Rolls, 1871, Minute Men Military Rolls, 1872–77, Texas Ranger Military Rolls, 1873–74, and Militia Military Rolls, 1874–77.
- 3. \$479.50 Frontier Battalion Military Rolls, 1874–1901, Includes Special State Troops Military Rolls, 1876–80, and Special Force Military Rolls, 1880–81.
- 4. \$635.00 Texas Volunteer Guard Military Rolls, 1880–1903.
- 5. \$469.50 Ranger Force Military Rolls, 1901–10, 1913–14.
- 6. \$238.00 Parker and Wise County
 Minute Men Records,
 1865–66,
 Includes Minute Men
 Records, 1872–74.
- 7. \$770.00 Frontier Forces Records, 1870–74.
- 8. \$380.00 Special State Troops/Special Force Records, 1874–81.
- 9. \$458.00 Transcripts and Notes, 1852–1975, Includes Records of State

Claims against the United States, 1871–90, Federalization of Ranger Pensions, 1908–28, and Ranger Reminiscences, 1937.

- 10. \$790.00, Texas Ranger Card File.
- 11. \$598.00 Volunteer Guard Card File, Includes Spanish American War Card File (Federalized troops only).
- 12. **\$614.50** Army of the Republic Service Records, 1836–45.
- 13. \$957.00 Navy of the Republic Service Records, 1836–45.
- 14. \$381.00 Mounted Volunteers Service Records, 1854–61, Includes Minute Men Service Records, 1855–62, 1872–74.
- 15. \$380.00 Texas State Troops Service Records, 1861–1865, Includes Confederate States Army Service Records, 1861–65.
- 16. \$1,221.70 State Police Service Records, 1870–71.
- 17. \$1,194.50 Regular Rangers Service Records, 1855–61, 1901–35.



Enriching the resources and facilities of Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research

<u>LAYTON LIBRARY FRIENDS</u>

With a generous donation from CLF member Janet Schachtner in memory of Col. James M. Norris, Commander, Texas Frontier Rangers

Is Proud to Publish the 2004 Microfilm Edition of

Military Rolls of the Frontier Forces of the State of Texas, 1870–74

Texas Adjutant General's Department

in the Texas State Archives,

Lorenzo de Zavala State Archives & Library Bldg. 1201 Brazos St., Austin, Texas 787011938



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- 18. Index to Civil War Military Rolls Alphabetical List and by County, "Confederate Captains/CountyFile,"
- 19. Index to Civil War Military Rolls By Organizational Units, "Battalion, Regiment, Brigade File,"
- 20. Indigent Confederate Families, 1863–65,
- 21. Records of 5th Military District/District of Texas, 1865–70,
- 22. Military Rolls of the Frontier Forces of the State of Texas, 1870–74, and
- 23. Republic of Texas Donation Voucher Files, 1879–1887.

There are further series awaiting funding. Those agreeing to fund a complete series can have their name and a memorial on the microfilm for all time. Please see related item in article, "Instant Immortality" on page 5.

UNUSUAL AND RARE ITEMS MICROFILMED

A set of unusual items has also been microfilmed. We now have seventeenth and eighteenth century printed broadsides of acts of the French monarch from the library of Winston De Ville, FASG. Two finding aids exist already on the shelf at Clayton. They are:

Krakovitch, Odile. Arrêts, déclarations, édits, et ordonnances concernant les colonies, 1666–1779: Inventaire analytique de la série Colonies A. Paris: Archives Nationales, 1993.

Wroth, Lawrence C. and Annan, Gertrude. Acts of French Royal Administration Concerning Canada, Guiana, the West Indies and Louisiana, Prior to 1791. 1930 reprint, Ville Platte, La.: Provincial Press, 1999. The introduction of the reprint gives an explanation of retrieval of French documents.

Texas City Ancestry Searchers Holds Garage Sale for CLF Microfilming Project

By Robert de Berardinis

he Texas City Ancestry Searchers added over \$1,010.00 to the coffers of the CLF Texas Records Microfilming Project thanks primarily to a unique garage gale held by Kevin Cooper, the son of TCAS President Linda Johnson Cooper, on Lane Road in Texas City in May 2004.

This event featured the folk art of noted eBay artist Helen Johnson of Lake Fork, Texas, in the piney woods of East Texas who contributed about \$200 worth of her art. It wasn't too difficult for TCAS to secure her contribution as she is the sister-in-law of TCAS President Johnson.

Additionally, TCAS raised about \$300 during the winter and spring during their regular meetings through raffles and the sales of Christmas ornaments and other seasonal necessities. This effort is not only much appreciated, but demonstrates what smaller societies can do in terms of fund raising.

RECORDS TO BE FILMED

Their funds will pay for the filming of:

- 1.Bonds and Oaths of County and Republic Officials of Texas, 1837–44,
- 2. Records of the Texas Rangers

- of the Republic of Texas, 1839–46, and
- 3. Naturalization Declarations of Intent, 1855, 1867-69, of the Texas Supreme Court, Galveston Term.

The "big" check for \$1000 was presented Wednesday, May 19 to CLF Director Robert de Berardinis by TCAS President Linda Johnson Cooper and TCAS Treasurer Floyd "Lanny" Martin. Afterwards, the check was placed on display at Clayton Library in the main hallway.

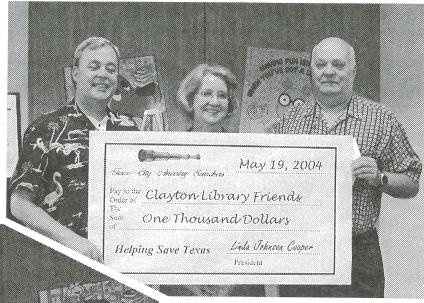
During the May 19 meeting, the Sidney Sherman Chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of

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Texas City Ancestry Searchers Holds Garage Sale for CLF Microfilming Project

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Texas City Ancestry
Searchers President
Linda Johnson Cooper
(center) and T.C.A.S.
Treasurer Floyd
"Lanny" Martin (right)
presents a Texas (City)sized check to CLF
Director Robert de
Berardinis (left).





Sally Busbee (right) of the Sidney Sherman Chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas presents a \$100 check to CLF Director Robert de Berardinis (left)

Texas of Galveston, the oldest chapter in Texas, gave \$100.00 to the CLF microfilming project through its representative, Sally Busbee. This makes the third DRT chapter to donate to this fund. The Bluebonnet and Seth Hurnin Bates Chapters had already donated. Two NSDAR chapters have also contributed, the George Washington and Jane Long Chapters.

This is, however, not the end of the story. In April, TCAS President Johnson was in Van Zandt County and convinced the Van Zandt County Genealogical Society to donate \$100 to the CLF project as well.

TCAS CONTRIBUTORS

The following are Texas City Ancestry Searcher members who helped with the garage sale or the raffles and other activities to raise the \$1,000. They are: Barbara Austin, Robert Bear, Charlie Bowman, Marian Brick, Jean Bump, Sallie & Benny Busbee, Joy Callaway, Tracey M. Calvert, Harriet Clifford, Debbie Cothern, Carolyn Davis, Billy Faust, Frances

Foreman, Darwin & Emma Lou Gilmore, June Girouard, Beverly Gish, Dean Glenn, Alan & Gloria Griggs, Ruth Hackbarth, Melody M. Hauch, Joe E. Hensley, Dana & Linda Huoni, Hallie Ketchum, Bobby Kohn, Sandra K. Marshal, Lanny & Lorena Martin, Elaine & Ronn Mason, Charles McCauley, Dora Meyer, Jesse Ponce, Betty Ryman, Betty Watts, Virginia Weede, Marion Schellhase, and Janice Stewart.

VOLUNTEER GRANTS:

Putting a "Check" on Your Volunteer Service

By Don Pusch

f you are doing volunteer work for the Clayton Library, there Lis a chance your service could qualify for a volunteer grant. Major corporations often use such grants to assist local charitable organizations and to gain recognition for the volunteer service of their employees and retirees. To sponsor a grant, the employee or retiree must contribute a certain number hours of volunteer service to the beneficiary of the grant. The procedure for sponsoring a volunteer grant is usually fairly simple, and there are all kinds of volunteer work tasks that can qualify.

Over the past several years, the ExxonMobil Foundation has been a major provider of volunteer service grants to the Friends. Foundation rules and procedures are fairly simple, and, in general, any ExxonMobil employee or retiree is eligible to sponsor such a grant. For twenty hours of service, the Foundation will award a \$500 grant to the sponsor's charity, and it is possible for individuals to sponsor grants totaling as much as \$5,000 in any one calendar year. This is the equivalent of \$25 per hour for vour volunteer work!

There are some restrictions, however. In general, the volunteer hours must be documented by the sponsor (the employee or retiree) on forms provided by the benefactor (ExxonMobil Foundation, for example) and in some cases must be certified by the charitable organization for whom the volunteer service is performed. If you are a Clayton Library volunteer—whether or not a member of the Friends—you can sponsor a grant for the work you might normally do for the library, including shelving books, staffing

the microprint desk, or "house sitting" in the Clayton Home. Also qualifying is work performed on CLF committees and projects, including service on the CLF Executive Board.

Volunteer grant checks are sometimes provided directly to the sponsor for his or her presentation to the Friends. If the sponsor wishes, the presentation of a grant check can be done at a CLF general meeting, a meeting of the CLF Executive Board, or in a private meeting with a board representative and the library manager. Also, the Friends is always interested in publicizing such grants, so newsletter announcements (with pictures) can also be arranged. Sponsors of volunteer grants receive the same annual recognition in the newsletter as do the respective corporate benefactors.

A volunteer grant is also an excellent way to acquire, for the Clayton Library, research material that might be of interest for the volunteer's research. Although all books, microfilm, and periodicals that the Friends buys for the library must be approved by the library manager, sponsors of volunteer grants, if

they so wish, may ask that the grant funds be restricted for specific items. When the grant check is received, a member of the CLF Executive Board will coordinate the acquisition of the requested material.

To sponsor a volunteer grant, check first with your employer (former employer if you are retired) and find out if they have a volunteer involvement program. If they do, get a copy of the necessary grant application form. After performing your volunteer service, complete your portion of the form and send it to CLF. The CLF treasurer will then complete the beneficiary's section of the form and mail it, along with any other required documentation, to the corporate benefactor. Most corporate benefactors issue checks quarterly.

To become a library volunteer, please contact CLF volunteers coordinator Sandy Scott, (713) 921-0964 or Ginny Toney, (281) 493-6993, or inquire at the main desk at the Clayton Library. Questions about volunteer service grant applications should be directed to CLF Treasurer Don Pusch, (281) 326-3278.

Volunteers Needed for CLF Booth at FGS National Convention

LF members who are attending the FGS National Convention in Austin this September (see announcement on page 10 in this issue) can help CLF by agreeing to volunteer to spend an hour or more during the week greeting visitors to the CLF Booth. Duties are easy: answering questions about CLF and Clayton Library, soliciting memberships, and accepting donations.

CLF will need your help. CLF will have the most entertaining and attractive booth at the conference. Please contact CLF President 'Liz' Hicks at (713) 944-1118 or e-mail Liz at: erootrot @usa.net.

Renovation of the Clayton House, Guest Quarters, Carriage House, Gardens, and Site

A distinct and unique spirit of cooperativeness has been established between the CLF, Clayton Library, HPL, and CoH

By Dick Warren

lot has happened since the last report. The Clayton Renovation Project started at the February CLF board meeting when Clayton family representatives Susan Garwood and Burdine Clayton Johnson met with the board to discuss the possibility of initiating a major renovation of the Clayton house, guest quarters, carriage house, and gardens. Ms. Garwood, a trustee for the Susan Vaughan Foundation, indicated that the Foundation was willing to underwrite the first phase of the project provided that CLF would manage the effort.

The CLF Board voted to go forward with the evaluation phase of the renovation project. The general scope of work and a preliminary cost estimate will be prepared during this phase. Liz Hicks, CLF president, organized the facility committee, appointing Dick Warren as chairman, with Don Pusch and Liz Hicks as members. The Board also created the Clayton Renovation Fund and is encouraging contributions to the fund. During the period March through June, the committee has been working with Glassman Shoemake Maldonado Architects (GSMA) on a plan for the project, and on June 30, a grant application was submitted to the Susan Vaughn Foundation for the predesign phase of the project. Additional grants will be pursued

The project goal is to renovate the Clayton house, guest quarters, carriage house, and Gardens that form the original William Lockhart Clayton home site, develop the complex to its full capacity as a genealogical library, and maintain its status as a Texas Historical Site. Since the property is a major asset of the Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research, the project will be accomplished in close coordination with the City of Houston. The intent is to complete the evaluation phase by the end of summer 2004.

The committee began drafting the Clayton Renovation Management Plan in early March to describe the processes, timelines, organizational interfaces, and control mechanisms needed to plan and execute the project to the satisfaction of Clayton family foundations, CLF, and the City of Houston, which includes the Clayton Library Center for Genealogical Research and the Houston Public Library. As a working document, the Plan has no legal standing but is intended to clarify the management approach to completing the project and to describe the roles and responsibilities of the various participants. Specific commitments between the CLF and the City of Houston and between the CLF and its architects and contractors will be captured in separate, bilateral agreements or contracts, each executed at the appropriate time in the project schedule.

The CLF board engaged GSMA contingent on receipt of grant funds to support the development and implementation of the Clayton renovation. This firm has an excellent reputation for evaluation of the total work to be done, project cost, and

project supervision for historical site renovations. They have extensive experience with renovation projects similar to ours, and they are approved by the City of Houston.

The Committee has met with several groups to review and coordinate details of the Clayton Renovation Management Plan including representatives from GSMA, the Clayton Library, Houston Public Library, and the City of Houston. Review sessions began on April 29, 2004 and will be concluded on July 6, 2004. The Plan will be updated after the evaluation phase is completed.

The result is a comprehensive and coordinated set of processes, timelines, organizational interfaces, and control mechanisms between the CLF, Clayton Library, HPL, and CoH that will be used to plan and guide the project during the Renovation. These review meetings have helped all of the participants to better understand how the team will work together and how the project will be executed. A distinct and unique spirit of cooperativeness has been established between the CLF and HPL, and both parties are looking forward to seeing the effort through to a successful conclusion.

Stay tuned for future updates.

For those wishing to contribute to the project, please make your check payable to CLF and mail to the CLF address. Please mark the memo field of your check, "Clayton Renovation Fund."



LEGENDS LIVE FOREVER. RESEARCHING THE PAST FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

2004 Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference

Co Sponsored by Texas State Genealogical Society and Austin Genealogical Society

by Betty Hendricks Dunquez

It has been seven years since Texas had a national conference, and we hope you will take this opportunity to attend the 2004 FGS Conference to be held in Austin, Texas on September 8-11, 2004. It will probably be a long time before we will have another national conference coming to Texas, so please don't miss this one. Anyone that has ever attended a conference of this caliber can tell you how exciting and educational they are, and that combined with the vendors with all of their genealogical and historical wares to sell, make it even more exciting.

Dean Hunter, president of The Federation of Genealogical Societies, and his committees have selected some of the best national speakers that are available, and they have also included some of the best speakers that Texas has available. Now is the time to see and hear these speakers all at one time and in one place when they appear in Austin. These presenters will share with you the ins and outs of researching Texas records, but it is not limited to Texas records only. There will be a variety of topics covering other locations as well as ethnic and methodology lectures. There will be something of interest for everyone. It is for beginners, advanced, or professional genealogist; there will be something for everyone on every level.

Austin, the state capitol, is centrally located in the heart of Texas, and has the state and city resource repositories available for you to visit while you are there.

The Austin Convention Center is newly remodeled and expanded. The hotel accommodations are very accessible with both the Hilton and the Hampton Inn & Suites located across the street from the conference site. The Crowne Plaza Hotel is only a few blocks away.

Please do not miss this opportunity to meet new people, learn new things, and enjoy being with people that can help you in your travels through the genealogy world.

If you are planning to attend and would be willing to volunteer at the CLF booth for an hour or two, please contact Liz Hicks at 713-944-1118 or erootrot@usa.net.

For more information visit FGS website at www.fgs.org or contact one of the Local Host Co Chairs.

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Here We Go Again... Subject: Mic Barnette's Genealogical Column

by Mic Barnette

Hi Everyone:

The Houston Chronicle has had their annual shake-up of editors and the Houston section has a new editor. My genealogical column in the Houston Chronicle has not run in four weeks. Initially the editor said there was not enough space and it would run the following week. Now she says she wants to gauge the response of the readers.

The current column each week has been on the *Deaths* page of the *Chronicle* for the past several years. It was taken offline this past weekend.

It was a year ago last Spring when we did this last time. It overwhelmed the editors with the response we got from Houstonians, Texans and readers from outside Texas. I would have thought last year's rally should have held the editors off several years. BUT, there is a whole new crop of editors who evidently don't remember last year. So, here we go again!

You might wish to send this or a message of your own to your genealogical friends and each society to which you belong. The more response the *Chronicle* gets the stronger our message.

Here is the information about the column:

- 1) The column has run in the *Houston Chronicle* just over 10 years.
 - It has run the last year and a half quite successfully in the Saturday edition of the *Houston* section. This section has the movies, comics, crossword puzzle and other items of popular interest. This column goes anywhere the *Chronicle* goes—worldwide. This is an ideal location and where the column really needs to continue running.
- 2) For the initial years of the column it ran in the *This Week* section. While it was nice to have the column in the newspaper not just anyone could get it.

If someone bought the newspaper in a newstand or outside the metro area of Houston the column was not included in the newspaper. Should the column get re-instituted back in the newspaper we may have to fight to keep it in the *Houston* section and not in the *This Week* section.

Problems with the This Week section include:

- The *This Week* is only delivered within Metro Houston.
- It would not appear outside the city of Houston—such as areas of Kingwood and anything north including Montgomery County and Huntsville. Also not included would be Galveston Island, Brenham, Bryan, Victoria, Beaumont, nor anywhere beyond those points.
- Within Houston the *This Week* section is a zoned part of the newspaper.

There are about 16 zones within the city.

Each zone has a different editor and each zone has it's own space problems.

This means the column may be published in full in one zone but only partially or not at all in another zone during the same week.

The feedback I have gotten from both readers and societies over the years has been awesome. Basically the column has been a great communications facilitator for the Houston (and other areas) genealogical community.

So, if you would like the column to continue in the *Chronicle* please call and/or write, the Reader Rep and the editor, Jessica Danes. I would appreciate a copy or blind copy of your emails. The emails for all three of us are...

James T. Campbell (Reader Rep) E-mail: readerrep@chron.com Phone: 713-220-6303

If his email bounces, email online@chron.com and ask the online people to direct the email to the Reader Rep.

Houston Section Editor: Jessica Danes Jessica.Danes@chron.com

I would appreciate any comment you might have and would appreciate receiving a blind copy of any emails you send at

mic@barnettesbooks.com

Thanks for your support now and in the past.



CLF Website Committee Report The CLF Needs to Showcase What it Offers to the Genealogical Community

By Dick Warren

he CLF board initiated the project of updating the CLF website by proposing to provide the CLF newsletter electronically to the membership in living color and save the cost of black and white regular mail. Receiving an electronic newsletter delivery would be a member option. The board determined that the current website doesn't have the capability or capacity to deliver an electronic newsletter (eNewsletter). From there they decided to re-host and upgrade the website.

CLF president Liz Hicks organized the Website Committee, appointing Dick Warren chairman, with Don Pusch, Teri Little, and Liz Hicks serving on the committee. The Committee began by preparing a questionnaire to develop requirements. The CLF board and a few CLF members answered a committee prepared questionnaire. The responses were summarized to clarify goals and add new requirements.

Clayton Genealogical Library is the largest of its type in this region, the 3rd ranking in the United States. CLF needs to showcase what it offers to the genealogical community and to the Clayton Library. We need to be able to cater to both those new to genealogy and experienced researchers as well. To do this, we need to make our site as interesting and

informative as possible. However, we must keep in mind that not everyone has the same abilities or hardware when it comes to using a computer to access our website.

The committee identified the primary message presented to the audience of surfing genealogist is to tell them who the CLF is and what it does to support the Clayton Library. Objectives identified were to present a better organizational image to the public, attract donors and encourage monitory contributions from all sources, attract new members and keep current members, provide information to inform and educate the membership in a variety of ways including the eNewsletter, to retain articles from previous newsletters, to coordinate regional genealogical societies activities, provide access to official CLF documents such as our mission statement, bylaws, annual audit, organizational policy statements, and Better Business Bureau status, publicize our activities, and to extend our reach to the global audience. These objectives must be accomplished with a minimum of cost to the CLF

The perception conveyed to the surfing audience should be that the CLF is ethical and trust worthy, professional in its dealings, up-to-date technically, seriously committed to its objectives, a non-profit organization that applies an unusually high percentage of its donations to its programs, an organization with a long-term commitment, and one with a solid, established reputation.

We these objectives in mind, the committee has begun the work of developing the website. It will move the website to a new provider, at no cost to CLF, acquire a unique Internet domain for the CLF, engaged a webmaster (who is also volunteering considerable work hours) to develop the details of the established objectives and begun the initial work of developing a preliminary structure for the various internet pages that will comprise the new CLF website. Unfortunately it won't be available to the membership and public for awhile. In the meantime the original website is still in operation. Our original goal of a downloadable eNewsletter for August was a bit too aggressive and now it looks more like an October date.

Stay tuned for future updates.

NEW CLF VICE PRESIDENT

Te welcome Don Teter as the new CLF 2nd Vice President. Don replaces Baldemar Silva who had to resign because of family illness.

Some of Don's many activities include memberships in CLF, Baytown Genealogy Society, Greater Houston Jewish Genealogy Society and Friends of the Texas Room. He is a past president of Texas Jewish Historical Society and compiler and editor of their book, *Texas Jewish Burials*, a documentation of 34,000 internments. He graduated from Rice Institute, with a degree in Chemical Engineering, and worked in synthetic rubber and other engineering industries for 33 years.

He is currently doing volunteer work at Texas Room and working on a project of the GHJGS, extracting life cycle events from the Jewish Herald-Voice, a current Houston weekly newspaper which has been published since 1908.

THE CLF NEWSLETTER



he Angels Program was created in 1994 to provide funds for periodicals and back issues the library does not have the funds to purchase. Due to budget cuts, the list of periodicals needing Angels sponsors for 2005 is a little longer. Anyone interested in becoming an "Angel" should contact, Liz Hicks, 746 Edgebrook Dr., Houston, TX 77034-2030, (713) 944-1118 or email: erootrot@usa.net. Please remember donations can be made in memory or honor or someone(s) and acknowledged in *The CLF Newsletter*. A bookplate can be placed in the bound periodicals at the end of the year.

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Ross County Gen. Soc. Newsletter (Ohio)\$13.00
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Tennessee Genealogy and History\$20.00
Topeka Genealogical Society Quarterly (KS)\$20.00
Upper South Carolina Gen. And History\$20.00
Vermont Genealogy\$20.00
Yakima Valley Gen. Soc. Bulletin (WA)\$20.00
New for 2005:
Connecticut Ancestry (Stamford Gen. Soc.)\$25.00
Dakota Homestead Historical Newsletter
(Bismarch-Mandan Hist. & Gen. Soc.)\$8.00
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Idaho Genealogical Society Journal\$19.00
Maine Genealogist\$20.00
Ohio Records and Pioneer Families\$20.00
South Dakota Gen. Soc. Quarterly\$23.00
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Newsletter \$18.00

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Clayton Library Friends General Meeting 5/8/2004 Teri Hall Little,

Historian, Perry Cemetery & Historical Association, Inc., President, Chaparral Genealogical Society, Inc., Director, Clayton Library Friends

By Teri Hall Little

t almost seemed like April Fool's Day in May! Folks who came to Clayton Library Friends to hear the speaker, Wolfram M. VonMaszewski speak on German research were surprised to learn that Mr. Von-Maszewski was unable to attend due to health reasons. I was asked to take his place and talk about a subject near and dear to my heart: Cemeteries.

I first became involved with old cemeteries when several years ago we discovered that a previously unknown family cemetery in Northwest Harris County, where my husband's great-greatgrandparents were buried had been totally destroyed by vandals and Satanists. I was so disgusted by what we found and the lack of help we received from our elected officials, that I began learning everything I could about cemeteries, old or otherwise. Shortly after this, I volunteered to be the Historian for Perry Cemetery, where the majority of my husband's family is buried. This began my education in the world of cemeteries, and through that my introduction into the study of genealogy.

My original goal was to obtain a Texas Historic Marker for our cemetery. (Our Texas Historic Cemetery Marker was unveiled on May 22, 2004) Shortly after taking office however, while opening a grave for a burial, a body was disinterred. When we were unable to establish the identity of the deceased, our Cemetery Association was threatened with a cease and desist order for not being in compliance with Texas Cemetery Law in regards to records of interment. Like many old cemeteries, our cemetery began when someone died and they were buried on the "back forty". As the years went on and more folks were buried there, no one gave any thought to writing down who was buried in the cemetery, the date they were buried and where. Thus, the next few years of my life were spent tracking down as much of this information as I could. Today, Perry Cemetery meets and exceeds the records required by law.

During this time, I also became active in testifying before our Legislators, educating them and asking for enforcement capabilities in regards to cemetery protection. I also began teaching cemeteries in our area how to operate a cemetery in modern times. As time has gone on, I have assisted many of the approximately eighty cemeteries in the Northwestern Harris County area in any way imaginable. I have also assisted cemeteries all over our great state, thanks to referrals from the Texas Funeral Services Commission.

Topics that were discussed at the CLF May meeting were Threats to old Cemeteries, Blanketing a Cemetery in Layers of Protection, Cemetery Facts and finding and making records. While most of this information is given following Texas State Laws, many other aspects can be taken and used across the board for any old or historic cemetery. In addition, if you are seeking a Texas Historic Cemetery Marker in the Harris County Area, you are in luck. Long time CLF Member, Trevia Wooster Beverly is a wealth of information and aid in obtaining a marker. Copies of the handouts have been given to CLF to be placed on the website.

Nominating Committee Report

Voting will be at the November members meeting

By Dick Warren

t the May 8 general membership meeting, the membership elected Ruby Dusek, Ginny Toney, Tommy Burns, and Neil Miserendino to serve on the nominating committee for 2005 officers. At its June 1 meeting, the CLF board elected Dick Warren as its representative to the committee, and at its first meeting, Dick was elected permanent chairman. The committee began the task of preparing a list of candidates for the calendar year 2005. They identified vacancies for 2005, accumulated director and officer duties and responsibilities, prepared a list of potential candidates, and began coordinating the details. The final list will be presented to the CLF board at its August meeting. Voting will be at the November general membership meeting. Candidate summaries will appear in the November newsletter. Anyone who would like to volunteer or who knows of someone who would make a good director or officer willing to work should contact any one of the committee members.

AWARD OF APPRECIATION

layton Library Assistant Manager Lesley Douthwaite received an Award of Appreciation from the Board of Clayton Library Friends on Thursday morning, June 10. CLF President Elizabeth 'Liz' Hicks presented the award in the presence of Clayton Library Manager Margaret "Marje" Harris. The award was coupled with a \$100 donation to Clayton Library for materials to be spent as Mrs. Douthwaite wishes. The award was for her editing

the first nine volumes of the Preserving Texas Series of finding aids that goes with the CLF microfilming as well as checking the some three to four thousand pages of targets produced by CLF to be used with the microfilming project.

Mrs. Douthwaite, a native of St. Helens in Lancashire, England, United Kingdom, is the daughter of a World War II British commando and member of the SAS (Special Air Service). Mrs. Douthwaite's father escaped from a POW camp during the war and hid out in Italy for several months before getting back to Britain.

Mrs. Douthwaite received her undergraduate degree in modern languages from the University of Newcastle upon Tyne, and her graduate qualification in library science from the Newcastle upon Tyne Polytechnic. She began her career at the British Library (at the British Museum) in London. She has also worked at Durham University in England and in Africa in Mombasa, Kenya, at the British Council Library.



Clayton Library Assistant Manager Lesley Douthwaite (center) received her Certificate of Appreciation from CLF President Elizabeth "Liz" Nitschke Hicks (right) while Clayton Library Manager Margaret "Marje" Harris (left) looks on.

In the United States, she was the head of the Local History and Genealogy Department of the Joint Free Public Library of Morristown and Morris Township in Morristown, New Jersey. Since joining the Clayton staff in 1999, Ms. Douthwaite has attended the National Institute on Genealogical Research in Washington, DC, the National Genealogical Society's annual conferences, and the Salt Lake Institute in Salt Lake City, Utah.

One Small Tip When Doing Research in Kentucky at Clayton Library

By Kim Morton

re you doing research in Kentucky? Would you like a tip on Kentucky research in Clayton Library? If Lyou answered in the affirmative then please read on. There is a book in the Kentucky state section by Trapp and Cook entitled Kentucky Genealogical Index vol. 1 (GEN 976.9 T774). This book is quite unique because it is an index, through 1980, to the quarterlies Kentucky Ancestors, Kentucky Genealogist, Kentucky Pioneer Genealogy and Records, and the East Kentuckian. When you hear the word index you probably think of a surname index, however the Trapp and Cook book is an every name index! On page five of the book is an explanation of how to use the index. Each genealogical quarterly is coded: "A" refers to Kentucky Ancestors, "E" refers to East Kentuckian, "G" refers to Kentucky Genealogist, and "U" refers to Kentucky Pioneer Genealogy and Records. Each reference provided identifies the name of the quarterly, the volume and issue number, and the specific page. For example; from the index, Burns, Agnes may be found in 12A2-100. The "12" refers to volume 12, and the "100" refers to page 100 of this issue. Going to the quarterly

shelf in the Kentucky section and pulling volume 12 of *Kentucky Ancestors*, then going to issue 2 of vol. 12, and finally looking on page 100 of this issue we find "Agnes Burns" mentioned in a querie involving several families in Pulaski Co. Kentucky 1830. Please remember this is an every name index to all four of these quarterlies from cover to end a terrific genealogical tool!

In addition, in the front of the Trapp and Cook book is a "Topic Index." This index includes topics, places and surnames. For example: from the index, the Reed Cemetery, Muhlenberg Co. Kentucky is contained in 2G4-145. Again going to the Kentucky quarterly shelf and pulling vol. 2 of *Kentucky Genealogist*, then turning to issue 4 of vol. 2 you will find on page 145 the Reed Cemetery of Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

The Trapp and Cook book can provide a shortcut to finding your ancestors in Kentucky. Check it out and look for further research tips in upcoming issues of *The CLF Newsletter*.

NEXT MEETING

August 14, 2004

The meeting begins promptly at 10 a.m. at the Bayland Community Center 6400 Bissonnet, Houston, Texas.



Tony Black, Appraisal Archivist, Texas State Archives Everything you wanted to know about researching at the Texas state archives but were afraid to ask.

Mr. Black has a B. A. in History from the University of Texas, El Paso and a M.A. in Medieval History from the University of Texas, Austin. He has taught U. S. History at the college level for many years. Currently, he spends his workdays working on the records of Governor George W. Bush and "appraises state agency records for their archival and historical value." He has worked with the records from the Adjutant General's office, the Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Secretary of State and the Department of Human Services.

layton Library Friends members are cordially invited to attend the dedication of an Official Texas Historical Marker honoring W.L. and Susan Clayton. The dedication ceremony is set for Saturday, October 2 at 10 am at the Clayton Library. The ceremony is sponsored by the Clayton Descendants, Houston Public Library, Harris County Historical Commission, and Clayton Library Friends. Following the program, and unveiling of the marker, refreshments will be served. The Clayton House received a Recorded Texas Historic Landmark marker in 1988, and now Mr. and Mrs. Clayton are being recognized. In addition to a distinguished career in business, Will Clayton was the chief architect of the Marshall Plan following World War II.

Mrs. Clayton was a civic and community leader in Houston. The application was initiated by CLF member Al Davis, Chairman of the Harris County Historical Commission. The narrative history was written by Stephen Fox, then the marker was underwritten by Susan Garwood. Please plan to join us for the dedication ceremony on October 2. To help us plan, please RSVP (accepts only) to (713) 468-6771. Al Davis



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