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The Muskogee County Genealogical Society was formed in 1983.

The Society meetings are now virtual via Zoom at 6:00 PM on the fourth Thursday of each month. Depending on Covid status in our community, we plan to meet with an in person/zoom meeting about 3 times a year.

Greetings From Our President

If you live in Oklahoma, the month of May brings with it a lot of weather related memories. But May is also Military Appreciation Month. After all, May includes VE Day (commemorating the end of WWII) and ends with Memorial Day (remembering those who died in service to our country). Both of these days are set aside to encourage us to reflect on the sacrifices of all former and current military personnel and their families.



Genealogists know how important military service records are to their family history research. We also know those records can often be quite difficult to locate and/or obtain. Sometimes we just don't know where to look or what to ask for. So, for Military Appreciation Month MCGS has engaged a leading professional genealogist and military researcher for our May live virtual event. KB Barcomb, retired officer and member of a military family, promises to help us gain insights into methods and analysis that we can use for our own military research. I hope you'll register and attend this unique, informative and entertaining opportunity to further your military research.

Linda Morgan Clark,
President



MCGS May Meeting Thursday May 26th 6:00p.m.

Military Brick Wall Breakthroughs

With K.B. Barcomb

Via
Zoom



K. B. Barcomb

Listen and learn as professional genealogist and military researcher, KB Barcomb, discusses several member-submitted military brick walls. This is a unique, informative, and entertaining opportunity to gain insights into the methods and analysis you can apply to your own military research.

If you'd like to submit a brick wall for consideration, you must be a member of MCGS. Email us mucoreso@yahoo.com for the form you must complete and email to the presenter no later than Thursday 18 May. (Please cc mucoreso@yahoo.com) KB will select 3-4 brick walls to discuss in detail.

This meeting is free, open to the public Via ZOOM

[REGISTER HERE](#) to attend the meeting

*We can always
learn something
new*



Users Group

Meeting Thursday May 12, 2022

2:30 p.m.

Via Zoom

[Register Here](#)

Everyone welcome. You do not need to be a MCGS Member to attend.

MCGS RootsMagic Users Group meets the second Thursday each month at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Meetings are an open forum for users of RootsMagic software. We welcome all RootsMagic users from beginner to advanced. If you are only interested in learning more about RootsMagic you are welcome also. Our meetings are relaxed, friendly discussions to help those interested learn about RootsMagic software through live demonstrations and a question and answer time.

May is Military Appreciation Month

Introduced in 1999 by Sen. John McCain and honored every May, Military Appreciation Month encourages Americans to reflect on the sacrifices made by soldiers, sailors, and all current and former military personnel.

May is an appropriate month for a military remembrance, since the month also includes VE Day, which commemorates the end of World War II in Europe, and culminates in Memorial Day, observed on the last Monday of May to honor veterans who died in service.

During the month of May, Military Appreciation Month pays tribute to the members of the military.

<https://nationaltoday.com/military-appreciation-month/>



Links for Military Research

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War <https://www.suvcw.org/>

Grand Arm of the Republic Civil War Museum <https://garmuslib.org/>

Military Records at AccessGenealogy <https://accessgenealogy.com/military-records>

Military Information at Allen Co., Public Library <https://accessgenealogy.com/military-records>

Military History Research Sites <http://www.newarkirregulars.org.uk/links/mhresearch.html>

Military Research Videos by Craig Scott on Just Genealogy (Youtube) https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLIUfNNfhGu_Y1tdS-NQ3vWV1e7AhRAIB

My Military Service Records (focus on using records at the National Archives) <https://www.mymilitaryservicerecords.com/>

Fold3 <https://www.fold3.com/?group=1> Available FREE through many local libraries with your library card. Muskogee Public Library has Fold3 available at home here: <https://eols.org/research/>

Many other U.S. Military Resources at Cyndi's List: <https://cyndislist.com/us/military/>

Find resources for your genealogical research with 229 categories and 318,516 links. Go to: [Cyndi's List of Genealogical Sites on the Internet](#) cyndislist.com

[Focus on MCGS Records Indexes](#) *The Oklahoma Biographical Index*

is an index to biographies of **Oklahomans** found in 25 books in the Muskogee Public Library. Many of these books may be out of print or difficult to find anywhere else and are not individually indexed. However, they are **all** available in the MPL library's Local History and Genealogy Department. Look for your ancestor in this index! Copies available through [MCGS Research Services](#).

Don't neglect this valuable resource when researching your Oklahoma ancestors!



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Membership

MCGS Membership is open to anyone promoting the purposes of the Society. You can become a member or renew your membership on the Society website: <https://www.muskogee-county-genealogical-society.org/membership.html> Membership is \$20 per year expiring on December 31st each year. Instructions for access to the Members Only area of our website are sent via email when you join.


Our Purpose and Mission

Purpose: The Society shall bring together those persons interested in the history and genealogy of the community.

Mission:

- To promote genealogy and family history research, standard practices, and methods.
- To provide education, assistance, and resources that further genealogy and family history research.
- To contribute to the genealogy and family history holdings of the Muskogee Public Library.

Join us weekly for the MCGS Lunch Bunch and Brick Wall Breakthroughs!



Meets on ZOOM every Tuesday at 11:30 a.m. Join the "Bunch" at anytime! Grab a sandwich, and come and go as you need to. This free-ranging conversation among genealogy friends always yields great information and builds relationships across local, state, and regional boundaries. No registration required.

Here's the link to [JOIN THE MEETING](#)

Area Virtual Genealogical Society Events

Tulsa Genealogical Society Events

Tuesday, May 10th , 7:00 P.M. - Virtual Research Desk with Annette. Annette Corbell, Our TGS Researcher shares tricks and techniques to enhance our research experiences and answers questions we may have. This is just like having a personal genealogy researcher at your beck and call. Registration link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcodu2rqD0jHtC8bm-ElRAz0BhfUx1uzZWx>

Monday, May 16th, 6:30 P.M. - Tulsa May Meeting: Our guest speakers this month are Annette Corell and Carol Ellis Jones, **Q and A on the 1950 Census Resources.** Registration Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcudeugpzkoG9cYJlfdCTChJf38Yt9PeMS>

Thursday, May 19th , 2:00 P.M. - TGS Water Cooler! Join us while we catch up with everyone or just hang out with other genealogists and family historians. We always have a delightful time. Registration link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwofumrrikiEtQkg1bXCb_9UBIS1qIUJvt

Area genealogical societies have some great programs via zoom and they welcome you to attend. The meetings we list are free. You don't need to be a society member to attend.

Okmulgee County Genealogical Society. Their May general meeting will be Monday, May 23RD. Topic will be announced. Registration is on their website: <https://okmcgs.com/> On website, click on the **green Public Presentation** button.

Bartlesville Genealogical Society - Hybrid Meeting. Monday, May 9th, 7 P.M. Irish Research with Linda Stout. For Zoom attenders, click on "Zoom Meeting" link. In-Person attenders will meet in Conference Room A at the Bartlesville Public Library. Registration Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUuc-Cgrz0uHdLYWuiEfELwhHXdtmLBoW2>

Pioneer Genealogical Society - (Ponca City) Society meets on 1st Monday of the month, 7:00P.M. at the Ponca City Library. Our monthly meetings are open to the public and held at the Ponca City Library. We also answer queries (see restrictions), publish a quarterly newsletter, compile local genealogical records, and provide a mentoring program for genealogy assistance in cooperation with the library. Check out their webpage for upcoming meeting information. [Pioneer Genealogical Society - Projects/Events \(pgsok.org\)](https://pgsok.org)

Ozarks Genealogical Society - Wed, May 18th. 10:00 A.M. Virtual Presentation - Zoom. OGS Members will receive a Zoom Link. Program is "Do you think you have an ancestor who served in the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, or the Civil (Program?)", presented by Fran Black. For more information, check their website. [Ozarks Genealogical Society -OGS Events and Programs \(ozarksgs.org\)](https://ozarksgs.org)