

Newsletter

February 2020



From the President

MCGS is trying something

new to offer our members. I'm participating in our new online study group using Research Like a Pro: A Genealogist's Guide, by Diana Elder and Nicole Dyer. One of our members, Sue Tolbert, who is a professional genealogist is leading our study. We've had two sessions now, using one chapter from the book for each session.

I regularly watch genealogy webinars and YouTube videos, but being part of an online study group is a whole new experience for me – and I like it! We're a small group – small enough to give everyone time to share their homework during the hour we're online using Zoom video conferencing. What have I learned so far? Check out my blog post on our website!

https://www.muskogeecountygenealogicalsociety.org/blog

Don't Miss Our February Events!

Monday February 17th-6:30 p.m. Three Rivers Museum 220 Elgin, Muskogee, OK

RESTORE

Rick Voight will be here to give us a presentation on the use of

Imaging Software

Vivid-Pix Imaging software. If your New Year's resolution (or last year's...) is to get those old photos and documents organized and scanned you'll love this fast, easy and affordable image editing software. It will help you to restore scanned prints, slides, documents, and digital camera images in seconds! Maybe you will be the lucky one to receive a free program that night. Everyone attending will receive a discount if they decide to purchase. (no pressure-no obligation) If you need more information about this event send us an email. We hope you'll join us and bring a friend!!!

Thursday February 27th – 6:00 p.m. MCGS Monthly Meeting Muskogee Public Library 801 W. Okmulgee, Muskogee, OK

Muskogee Area African-American Cemeteries Their Locations, Conditions & Significance



Presented by Sharon (ShIronButterfly) Ray founder of Legacy Keepers R Us., Author of *Bare Bones Movie Business Management*Founder, Director, and Programmer of the Bare Bones International Independent Film and Music Festival
And operator of the Bare Bones Script-2-Screen Film/Screenplay Competition.

Sharon has some great stories to tell and will draw our attention to the need for cemetery clean up, restoration, and preservation. MCGS meetings are free and open to the public. Come join us and make new friends and bring a friend to introduce them to the world of genealogy!

Since 1983 MCGS Membership is open to anyone promoting the purposes of the society.

Our Purpose

To promote the general study of genealogy through workshops, seminars, and monthly programs; and to discover and preserve any material that may establish or illustrate the history of Indian Territory, Muskogee County, and its families.

Enjoy the benefits of membership! https://www.muskogeecountygenealogicalsociety.org/membership.html



Need research assistance?? We are happy to help!

Want to VOLUNTEER to help with our projects, serve on a committee or our board?
Contact us!

Interested in a Special Interest Group, Study Group, or other learning experience? Contact us!

Interested in workshops, conferences, and seminars outside our area? Contact us!



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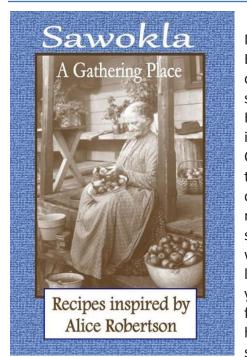
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Greenhill Cemetery
Muskogee, Oklahoma
Vernon Martin, former
Superintendent of Greenhill
Cemetery, long had a vision
for this bell tower. However,
due to his untimely death, he
was never able to see it
happen. Mrs. Martin, along
with other individual
supporters, donated funds to
see Vernon's vision fulfilled.
Photo courtesy Muskogee
Phoenix.

In December 2019 Muskogee County Genealogical Society contributed funds to add the clock to the tower in memory of our founding member Deone Penquite. Deone and her husband Walter were charter members of MCGS and rest in peace at Greenhill. You can read our Tribute to Deone Penquite on our website.





Muskogee's Founders' Place Historic District is selling a cookbook as a fundraiser in support of the Alice Robertson House in Muskogee. Jonita Mullins is the chair for this fundraiser. Contact her to buy your copies of this wonderful cookbook. It contains lots of yummy, vintage recipes like Alice would have served in her Sawokla Cafeteria as well as photos and snippets of her life story. It makes a great gift for yourself, a cookbook collector, or for anyone who cares about historic preservation. The book sells for \$15.

https://www.facebook.com/Sawokla/

What's Happening Here and There

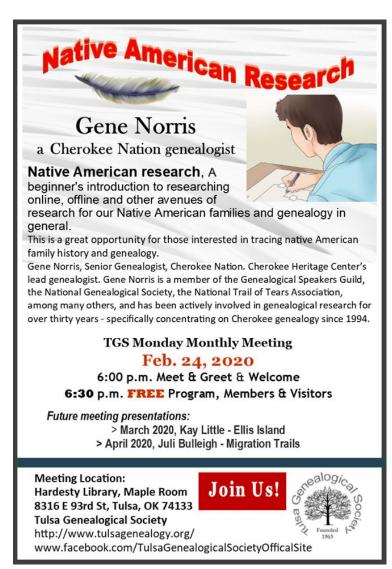


Muskogee Public Library
801 W. Okmulgee
Muskogee, OK
Genealogy & Local History Dept.
Beginning Genealogy Classes
1st Tuesday each month 7:00p.m.
Call to reserve your spot: 918-6826657



Pittsburg County Genealogical and Historical Society 113 East Carl Albert Parkway; McAlester, OK https://www.facebook.com/groups/PittsburgGenealogy

Tulsa Genealogical Society



https://www.facebook.com/TulsaGenealogicalSocietyOf ficalSite/

GENEALOGY

Cari Taplin, Certified Genealogist



Saturday, March 28, 2020, 9:30am-4:00pm Frossard Auditorium, Hardesty Library

Cari's topics will include:

- Using Timelines and Tables to Analyze Your Research
- Using Lists to Find Proof
- How'd You Find That?!? Tips for Locating Obscure or Hidden Records
- The Power of Family Legends: I am Related to Roy Rogers



Free and open to the public. For more information, call 918-549-769.

Free and Open to the Public - 2016 if you are hearing-impaired and need a qualified interpreter, please call the library 48 hours in indivance of the program, www.tulsalibrary.org/genealogy



Oklahoma Genealogical Society Spring Seminar Celebrates

The 400th Anniversary of

The Mayflower 1620-2020

with

David Allen Lambert



10:00 AM to 4:30PM

Oklahoma History Center 800 Nazih Zuhdi Drive Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Visit OKGENSOC.ORG for details coming soon!

National Genealogical Society Conference 2020



Federation of Genealogical Societies 2020 - Kansas City, MO





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