

# MIDWEST HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## ALERT

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### WHERE AM I NOW? DOES ANYONE REALLY KNOW?

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#### Library Hours:

Tuesday & Saturday  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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I am the time capsule that was originally buried under the lawn of the old Wichita Municipal Airport.

I was originally created by C. T. Sandberg who was an Eagle retail advertising manager and led the committee that planned my birth and gathered items for inclusion.

Mr Sandberg wanted to capture and preserve life as it was in the 1950s for the future generations. He included more than 40 souvenirs and documents within my 10 foot long, 14 inch diameter and sealed them in five airtight copper canisters and sealed them with argon gas. All moisture and oxygen was then forced out and the lid was soldered closed.

I have been moved and stored in many places. After the airport, I was unearthed for display for the centennial in 1970. I rested in the Wichita Public Library where all could see my contents until I was moved to the basement of City Hall and forgotten until November 1999.

Mr Sandberg's son , Ted led a push to add new information and rebury me beneath the Keeper of the Plains when it was moved in 2005. Did this happen?

Where am I?

### 2018 ANNUAL MEETING



## JUST A REMINDER

The Topeka Genealogical Society is hosting genealogy rock star Thomas W. Jones at their conference on April 20 & 21. Dr. Jones is an expert on evidence analysis and the genealogical proof standard. Go to [tgstopeka.org](http://tgstopeka.org) for information and registration.

## SOME WISHES FOR THE NEW YEAR INCLUDE:

- Renewed and new memberships
- a chairman for the building and grounds committee
- a legal size 4 drawer file cabinet.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS & LIBRARY EVENTS

*RESEARCHING AND WRITING ABOUT YOUR WORLD WAR I ANCESTOR.* Saturday, April 21 @ 1:30. Led by Julia Langel. A workshop to get you started writing your family history. Not too late to join us for this new project!

*POWER UP YOUR GENEALOGY.* Tuesday, April 10 @ 1:30 to 3 pm. Led by Julia Langel. Let's power up our research techniques!

*GENEALOGY DNA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP.* Saturday, April 14 @ 1 pm to 2 pm. Led by Paul Renner Smith. Discover the latest news in the field of Genealogical DNA study. This informal discussion group uses the newest information available to learn what DNA can tell us about our ancestors. Learn what different tests are available and where.

*PHOTO MYSTERIES,* Tuesday, April 17 @1:30. Led by Rex Riley. Bring your photographs and let our photo detectives go to work to solve the unknown facts regarding the images.

*GENEALOGY ON THE INTERNET.* Saturday, April 21 @ 10 am. Led by Jim Scharnhorst. Genealogy research has embraced the computer as not only the most efficient way to organize data, but the quickest way to access historical records. The ongoing digitization of documents for preservation purposes makes them searchable, economical, and immediately available. Our meeting is for sharing the sites we find most useful, finding solutions to problems that have developed, and learning what the future holds.

*DAR/SAR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP. ON HOLD FOR THE PRESENT.* Led by Sandi Bush and Lucille Williams. Get help with the application process, learn what records you need to qualify for membership, and find out all the details. We'll provide assistance for both the Sons of the American Revolution and the Daughters of the American Revolution.

*AFRO-AMERICAN SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP.* Saturday, April 28 @ 1 pm. Led by Jozel Smith Eckels. Interest group that encourages historical and genealogical study of families with special emphasis on African-Americans. This informal group seeks to learn more of the history and factors within the family stories that we have been given. We will demonstrate how to research your family tree with the goal of discovering and understanding your family history.

## POWER UP INFORMATION

Next meeting on April 10 at 1:30 . We will be watching a video about futuristic technology for genealogy.

## NOTES FROM THE LIBRARIAN

The Journal of Chickasaw history and Culture	R-630 121 2016 (02) F
The Journal of Chickasaw history and culture	R-630 121 2017 (01)S
Chokma Chickasaw Magazine	R-630 122 2016 F and 2017 S & F
The Chickasaw Nation Hall of Fame	R-630 123
Mesquite Tree	R-440 05 V 51-53
Pennsylvania Mennonite Heritage	R-410 324 V 39-40
Branching Out from St.Clair County	R-180 201 V 44
County seat scraps	R-190 208 V 02-16

## OPPORTUNITIES

Are your book shelves bending under the weight of books , most you have read, and your family is not interested in them, and you don't want to keep them all ? The Union Rescue Mission would love to have them. They put them "on line" and sell them to help support the work of the mission. They receive no funding from United Way and rely on FAITH only. You will be given a receipt for your donation and it is possible to purchase from them at [newleafbooks.org](http://newleafbooks.org).

To deliver books turn east at Hillside and 27 th St N. The warehouse faces south and is the large metal building on the north east corner.

## NEW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

Our newest Special Interest Group (SIG) PHOTO MYSTERIES meets on the third Tuesday at 1:30. We had many interested people come to the first meeting, discussion was lively, and it is never to late to join us. Bring in your mystery photos and we'll use both physical and digital tools to help identify people, places, and dates.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Library open Tuesdays and Saturdays, 9 to 4

Closed Saturday March 31 for holiday weekend.

Call 316-264-3611 for information or to check on library closing

<b>RESEARCHING AND WRITING ABOUT YOUR WORLD WAR I ANCESTOR</b>	<b>GENEALOGY ON THE INTERNET</b>
<b>Third Saturday @ 1:30</b> <b>Led by Julia Langel</b>	<b>Third Saturday @ 10 am</b> <b>Led by Jim Scharnhorst</b>
<b>GENEALOGY DNA SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP</b>	<b>PHOTO MYSTERIES</b>
<b>Second Saturday @ 1:30</b> <b>Led by Paul Renner Smith</b>	<b>Third Tuesday @ 1:30</b> <b>Led by Rex Riley</b>
<b>POWER-UP SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP</b>	<b>AFRO-AMERICAN SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP</b>
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