***KING COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY***

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**february – 2023 - History Book of King County - old and New!**

**OLD:** In 1976, The King County Historical Society Board (aka King County Museum) published “King County Windmills and Barbed Wire” depicting the History of King County, Texas, including the families and residents, businesses, farms, ranches, and other pertinent information. This book remains available for purchase from the King County Historical Society for $45.00, plus shipping.

**NEW:** The current King County Historical Board would like to pick up where that book left off and publish a new history book, entitled “King County Windmills and Barbed Wire, Volume 2". Therefore, we are interested in King County history of ranches, businesses, schools, county government, and King County families from 1976 to present. If someone was unable to submit their family in the original history book, those need to be included as well.

**MISSION:** Our mission is to begin work immediately and to complete the necessary documentation for the publisher as soon as is feasibly possible.

**WHAT THE BOARD NEEDS:**

* The Board needs and appreciates your assistance in submitting your own family history and stories.
* We would appreciate your assistance in sharing this information and contacting others who have lived in King County, Texas; including Guthrie, Dumont, Finney, Grow, surrounding communities. Information regarding churches, schools, farms, ranches, businesses, county government, etc.; OR share that person’s contact information with us and we will contact those individuals.

**INFORMATION REQUESTED**

**History of Person, Spouse, Parents, Children, etc**.

* Family Name(s) – Please include full names; married and maiden names
* Date and place of birth
* Christenings, baptisms
* Marriage(s)
* Death and burial for each person
* Address or location in county
* Schooling and training
* Careers, businesses, etc.
* Interests, hobbies
* List of children in birth order
* Previous marriage(s) and children
* Any children by previous marriage(s)

**History of Communities, Churches, Schools, Farms, Ranches, Businesses, County Government**

* Any information available regarding these items
* Names
* Dates
* Locations

**Memories/Stories**

Please share memories/stories of your family, business, etc.; the good and the bad; the funny and the sad. Maybe you remember someone who made a difference in your life or who did something special for a church, school, farm, ranch, or the county in some way. Whatever you remember most!

Tell your story in as many words as you please. Remember other folks like to learn about history and the stories making that history!

**Photographs/Photos**

Please enclose at least one photo of yourself/spouse/family.

If you have other photos of people, churches, farms, ranches, businesses, buildings, etc., that you feel should be included, please send those as well. We will include as many as possible.

Photocopies of any interesting documents such as business ventures, army papers, confirmations, etc. would also be very welcome. Use your imagination so that YOUR section of the book is an interesting one!

**Publication of Book**

We will produce the books in English. The cost will depend upon the size of the book and the number of copies printed; anticipation of the cost will be $45.00; the same cost as the original book. To help us plan, please let us know if you will purchase a copy.

**PLEASE SEND YOUR HISTORY, STORIES, AND PHOTOS VIA ONE OF THE FOLLOWING**

If you are MS Word and internet savvy, you may submit your information via email. This will enable us to save time and effort in re-typing your story. Also, your photos would be much easier to reproduce. ***The publisher requires this information be submitted in Word Document and photos scanned to 300 dpi jpeg or tiff file.***

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Or please feel free to send information to us via U.S. Mail.

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**Thank you kindly in advance for your support of this history restoration project and for your prompt submission of your history and your stories! We are certainly excited to work on this book and look forward to sharing King County Windmills and Barbed Wire, Volume 2, with you and your families.**

**Please share this information with others that you know!**

With sincere thanks,

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