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Community Outreach

Title Workshop



In the month of October, the Hays County Clerk's Office had volunteers attend three Homeowners Title Workshops hosted by the City of San Marcos. The goal of these workshops was to help residents understand and resolve title issues with property that had been inherited. After residents spoke to local attorneys about their situation, our clerks were able to provide insight into the recording process. Approximately 40 citizens attended the workshops, and 100% of the participants who filled out their exit survey stated that the three workshops were useful to them. This is a great example of how the Hays County Clerk's Office continues to serve the public in any way that they can.



County Clerk employees assist residents at Title Workshops organized by the City of San Marcos.



Archival Team members Charlene Carroll and Alejandra Rodriguez (front middle and right) assist during a Hays County Commissioners Court meeting.

By Alejandra Rodriguez

Section Feature: Archival Team

An essential part of the Hays County Commissioners Court

The Archival Team is a valued asset of Commissioners Court meetings. The Deputy Clerks that attend the twice-monthly meeting serve as the clerk of the Hays County Commissioners Court by posting the notice of each agenda, arriving an hour prior to the meeting start time to have all documents in order, registering public speakers by collecting and verifying all public comment forms, organizing the emailed public comments to be read at court, and setting up any presentations that may be given during the meeting.

The County Clerk also reads/opens the agenda items, proclamations, and all emailed public comments. All Commissioners Court meetings are recorded live for public viewing, but the Archival team also creates the minutes of all court actions and votes and authenticates official acts of the court with the Commissioners Court seal. Join the next Commissioners Court meeting virtually or in person to get a better understanding of how your county functions - see you there! <https://www.hayscountytexas.gov/commissioners-court-live-stream>

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How To Videos

By Jason Faulkner & Miriam Ripplinger



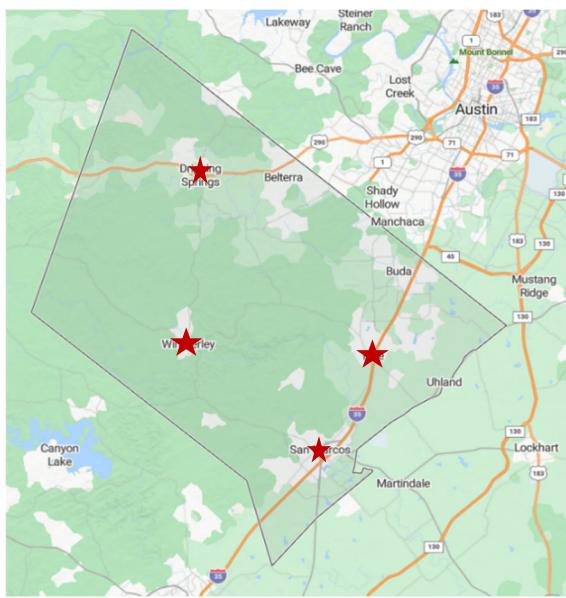
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By Emmanuel Roberson

Substations



Did you know that the Hays County Clerk's Office has three substations? Yes, three! These substations are located in Kyle, Wimberley, and Dripping Springs. Each location has a Deputy Clerk ready and waiting to help you with recording documents.

into the Official Public Record, issuing Marriage Licenses, Birth and Death Certificates, and any questions residents may have.

The Dripping Springs office is located at 195 Roger Hanks Pkwy, Dripping Springs, TX 78620. It is currently staffed part time on Mondays and Wednesdays by Jacob, but will be staffed full-time soon by Emmanuel, a newly hired employee.

The Kyle office is located at 5458 FM 2770, Kyle, TX 78640 (office located inside the Commissioner's Office), and is staffed by Chloe.

The Wimberley office is located at 200 Stillwater, Wimberley, TX 78676, and is staffed by Pam.

All substations close for lunch from 12 - 1 p.m.

Kudos

From the Community

“Hays County should be so proud of your great office with such an amazingly awesome group of folks. I must applaud your office on the great notifications and communications which your staff routinely send out so effortlessly and professionally, and dare I say as professional if not more so than any other office with whom I have interacted. And that is saying something because I have contact with agencies from across the country. Kudos and high fives to your entire staff, individually and collectively, for consistently outstanding work!”

-Travis County DA Employee

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The State of Texas
County of Hays } Know all Men by these presents that I
My P. W. Hays Sheriff of said County by virtue of an execution
Issued from the Court of Clark County On the 21st day
of July A.D 1858 - upon a judgment entered in said Court
On the 2nd day of December A.D 1857, wherein said Hays is
Plaintiff and James H. H. Long is Defendant for the
sum of One thousand One hundred and 75th Dollars principal
Debt and Interest up to the execution of said judgment
together with twenty 75th Dollars Costs of suit and aforesaid
to the aforesaid defendant having been returned by the
Sheriff of Clark County unsatisfied which said execution
was by the Sheriff the 5th day of August A.D 1858 upon all the
right title Interest and Claim that the said Hays -
= Huchting (was subject to a former suit made by the Sheriff
- of Hays County and was off by L. W. Scott) has in
view to the following description tract of land to wit - being

The State of Oregon } Known all here by these presents that we Eliza J. Green
County of Oregon } and her husband Ed. J. Green of the County and State afo-
said for and in consideration of the sum of Four hundred and fifty dollars to
us in hand paid by John H. Henderson of the same State and County, the receipt
of which is hereby fully acknowledged and received, both bargained with referred
and conveyed and do by these presents convey all certain convey and alienate
unto the said John H. Henderson his heirs and executors, his certain two
lots situated in the town of Oregon, in Oregon County and State of Oregon, and
known and designated in the map or plan of said town as lots No. Eleven (11) and
Twelve (12) in Block No. nine (9), to have and to hold the same with all the in-
struments, appurtenances, appertaining thereto, unto the said John H. Hen-
derson his heirs and executors, and to him and his heirs executors and heirs
and to his heirs executors, executors and administrators of his
manus and defunct the above described premises unto the said John H. Henderson
his heirs, executors and administrators to forever have and to defend the above
described premises unto the said John H. Henderson his heirs executors and ad-
ministrators and executors of his, against the claim or claims of all persons whom
soever claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof.
Witness our hands and seals, recd. for us at this the 2d day of September
A.D. 1863.

The documents pictured above contain the first mentions of Bugg and Green in our records. They are preserved in our San Marcos office and are available for public viewing.

By Madison Gish

The Robert Redford Connection

Did You Know?

Hays County has close ties to the Academy Award-winning director and actor Robert Redford, and the County Clerk's Office has the documents to prove it! His mother, Martha Woodruff Redford, was born in Austin, TX and her ancestors lived in the San Marcos/Kyle area in the mid-19th century. One of Redford's great-great grandfathers, Zachariah P. Bugg, was the 4th Sheriff of Hays County from 1858 to 1868, and another great-great grandfather, Ed J.L. Green, was the 6th Hays County Clerk from 1871 to 1882 and the

Owner of the Electric Light & Power Company, which brought electricity to San Marcos and made us one of the first towns in Texas to have power. Redford credited his summers spent in Central Texas for his passion for environmental conservation.

San Marcos Celebrates Robert Redford's Birthday With Sundance Kid And Others - Corridor News

Keeping Nature in the Picture: An Interview with Robert Redford - Orion Magazine



Pictured Above: The Hays County Clerk's Office, December 2025.

County Clerk Website Updates

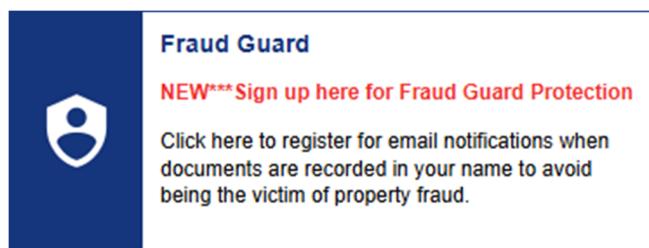
By Darren Jones



TextMyGov is a service used by the County Clerk's Office to improve communication with residents. To get started, text "Hi" to 512-312-7912. You can then send one or two key words (Marriage, Probate, Copies, Fees, etc.) for quick responses with information about the topic. You can even send words in Spanish!

Another feature of TextMyGov is Groups. Groups will receive updates about when the offices may be closed, when there may be a crowded parking lot, or if there is a fire or an emergency in or around the Government Center. You will also be notified of events that might disrupt our normal business hours.

The public can sign up by texting "HCCGENERAL" to 91896, and if you are an attorney, you can sign up by texting "HCCATTORNEY" to 91896.



The Hays County Clerk offers 2 free services! Both can be found on our website: hayscountytexas.gov/county-clerk

Fraud Guard is a complimentary service that enables you to register to receive alerts if a document matching your name is recorded. It serves as an early detection mechanism for property fraud. By registering, you will receive an email notification whenever a document bearing your name is recorded, providing an early warning of potential property fraud in your name.