

**AGENDA**  
**THE MEDINA COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION**  
**REGULAR CALLED QUARTERLY MEETING AGENDC**  
**Hermann Sons Steakhouse, Hondo, Texas**  
**Thursday, August 21, 2025**  
**7:00 p.m.**

The Medina County Historical Commission will hold its next quarter meeting on August 21, 2025, at Hermann Sons Steakhouse, 577 US-90 E, Hondo, Texas. If you wish to eat, please be there at 6 PM; the meeting will start at 7PM

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- **MCHC Administrative**
  - A. Welcome
  - B. Roll Call
  - C. Review of the Agenda
- **Pledge of Allegiance, United States and Texas Flags**
- **Invocation**
- **Citizens Comments** - Welcome Guests
- **Minutes** – Joe Fohn, Secretary, Approval of May 15, 2025
- **Treasures Report** – Kenny Rohrbach
- **Guest Speaker** – Peter Baron is a member of the Medina County Historical Commission (MCHC). His presentation will include a brief discussion of the current State laws related to cemeteries including historic cemeteries. The presentation will also include a brief review of web tools related to searching for historic markers and cemeteries.
- **Committee Reports:**
  - Cemetery Committee – Debbie Marquis
  - Medina County and State Markers Committee – Bradford Boehme/Peter Baron
    - For County Markers – Bradford Boehme
      - Death and Gravesite of Valentine Golly – Bradford Boehme, Sponsor. MCHC approved the concept, and progressing with ongoing research.
      - George Noonan and the Circle Dot Ranch – Bradford Boehme, Sponsor. MCHC approved the concept, and progressing with ongoing research.
      - Grotto at Moye: Meg and Patrick Conner, Sponsor. Ongoing research and application progressing.
      - Marker correction to clarify Henry Castro's burial place and circumstances of death – Joe Fohn
    - For State Markers – Peter Baron
      - Update, damaged marker, Battle of Arroyo Hondo, located North of Hondo on FM 462 – Peter Baron and Debbie Marquis.
      - Castroville Field – Chuck Friesenhahn, Sponsor. Waiting for delivery of marker. Need to set dedication date.
      - Update on the Medina Dam Marker Relocation/Replacement plan - Chuck Friesenhahn. MCHC approved the concept, and marker application progressing.
      - Joseph Burell House, Castroville - Carter Brown, Sponsor. MCHC approved the concept, and the marker application is being reapplied by doing a person marker on the Burell family instead of the building marker.
      - Winfred Whitehead Property and Hoffmann/Paul Cemetery, Castroville – Charlie and Shari Biediger, Sponsors. MCHC approved the concept, and marker application progressing.

- Holy Cross Catholic Parish, D'Hanis – Sponsor Holy Cross Catholic Church, D'Hanis c/o Kenneth Rohrback. MCHC approved the concept, and marker application progressing.
- Original Medina Valley ISD HS Building – Looking for sponsor. Concept approved by the MCHC, and ongoing research and application progressing. Phil to send information to the School District.
- Sutherland Cemetery – Lester Ludwig and Patrick Connors, Sponsors. Concept approved by the MCHC, and ongoing research progressing.
- Lucy Maverick home on the Lower LaCoste Road, Castroville – Sponsors Ken and Arlene Smith. MCHC approved the concept, and marker application progressing
- Tarde Hotel, Castroville – Looking for sponsor.
- Discussion and possible action on additional State or County Markers, including discussion on: “Juneteenth Tree”; Devine Black church, and Cottonwood Cemetery north of Hondo.
- Press Releases Committee – Bonnie Jaks
- Castro Colonies Living History Center – Mary King
- Hondo Army Airfield Museum (housed in the South Texas Regional Airport terminal, Hondo) – Committee
- Battle of Medina – Carter Brown/Phil King
- Landmark Inn/THC – Kristin Rodriguez, Site Manager, Landmark Inn SHS
- Medina County Pioneer Homes Documentation Initiative program – Laura Hardt
- **Old Business**
  - Discussion related to how the Commission can observe in Medina County the U.S. 250th Anniversary which will be celebrated next year, 2026. Some previous suggestions included: a ceremony, or a plaque or marker; and placing cemetery markers for veterans at all the cemeteries in Medina County.
- **New Business**
  - Up Coming Events:
    - Landmark Inn History Happy Hour ???
    - Presentation of the THC's Distinguished Service Award to the MCHC at the regular scheduled August 25th Commissioners Court meeting.
    - Moya Heritage Day, October 12th
  - **Future Meeting** - Approve the date & venue of the November\_\_ ???, 2025 meeting, (Triple C Steakhouse in Devine???)
  - **Adjourn**

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was submitted to the County Clerk's office to be posted on the Medina County bulletin board, Hondo, Texas on or before August 18, 2025.




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Phil King, Chair, Medina County Historical Commission