

NUECES COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

PRESENTS

Nadine Vasquez Hefner

**“Arturo Vasquez-Businessman, Civil Rights Leader, and
Corpus Christi School Board Member”**

Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian Church, 430 S. Carancahua Street, Corpus Christi

Nadine Vasquez Hefner will speak about her father’s life, Arturo Vasquez (1924-2010), who was a World War II veteran, a Certified Public Accountant for 56 years, a civil rights leader, and a Corpus Christi School Board Member for 24 years. Nadine and her husband, Ronald Hefner, are members of the Nueces County Historical Society and are Board of Director Officers of the Arturo Vasquez, CPA Memorial Foundation, Inc.

NCHS Mission Statement-The Nueces County Historical Society is a 501©3 multi-cultural organization which encourages a deeper understanding and appreciation for the rich history of Nueces County, the Coastal Bend of Texas, and the United States of America, by members and guests of all ages. It accomplishes this through hosting regularly scheduled presentations with interesting speakers, sponsoring special events, and leading preservation efforts for the area sites of historical significance.



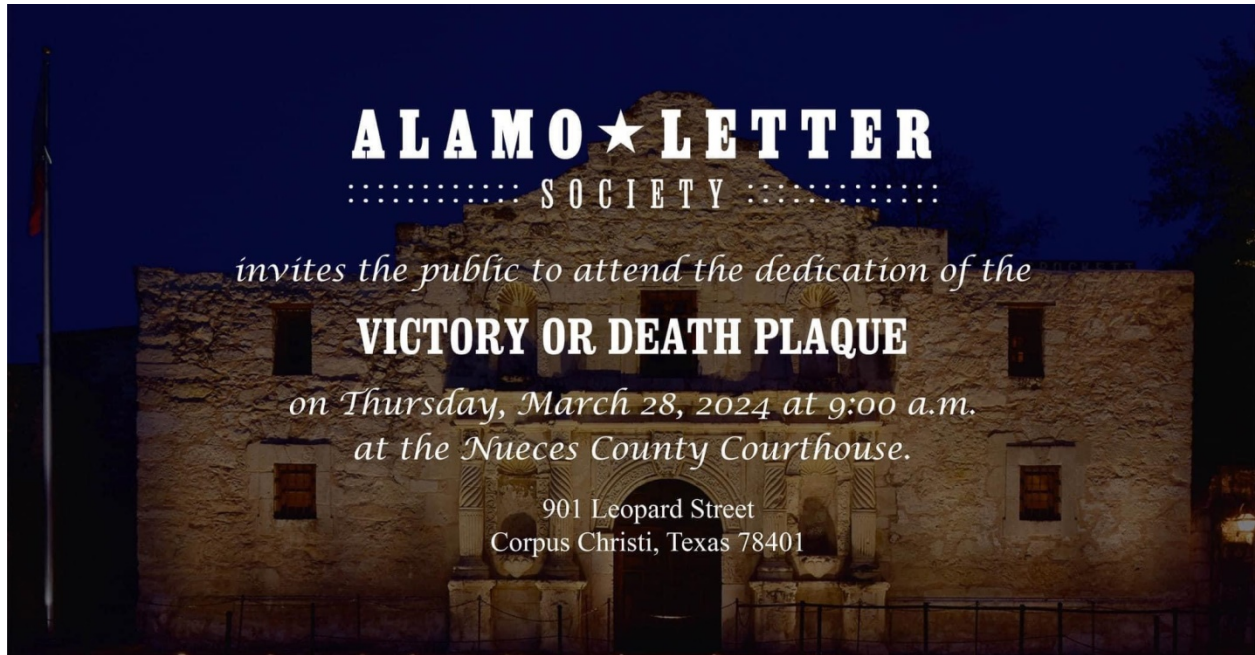
“Toast to Texas” was held March 2 at Centennial House. Keynote speaker was Sylvia Budd who portrayed Mary Austin Holley (1784-1846). Dressed in period clothing are left to right: Gary Cornett, Sylvia Budd, Doug Crumly, and Pat Patterson.

PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND THE DANIEL E. KILGORE LOCAL HISTORY AWARDS BANQUET ON TUESDAY, MAY 7, 6:30 P.M. AT THE EMERALD BEACH HOTEL. THE RSVP FORM IS ATTACHED. THE DEADLINE TO RSVP WILL BE APRIL 18. THE SPEAKER WILL BE KAREN STEVENSON, PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE CORPUS CHRISTI MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND HISTORY. THIS YEAR’S LOCAL HISTORY AWARD WILL BE PRESENTED TO DOTSON LEWIS.

Officers and directors of NCHS serve a two-year term. The current term ends this spring. The trustees will be elected at the April 2 meeting. Please plan to attend. Installation will be held at the Dan Kilgore Banquet on May 7.



Sandra Valencia was our March speaker. She spoke on her ancestor, Nathan B. Holder, a Texan who served in the Confederate Army. He was captured and died in Elmira Prison in New York. Sandra was successful in obtaining a grave marker for her 4th great grandfather. The original marker was misspelled. She has copies of letters he wrote home to his family in Belton.



Please mark your calendar. The public is invited. Each of the 254 Texas counties will receive a plaque. Nueces County has the distinction of being the third recipient.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

March 28-The Alamo Letter Society will present a “Victory of Death Plaque” to Nueces County at 9:00 a.m.

April 2-Regular NCHS meeting, 7:00 p.m., Nadine Hefner will speak about her father, Arturo Vasquez.

April 13-Work day at Old Bayview Cemetery, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

April 16-Tropical Trail Region monthly partner event, Port Isabel**

May 3-War Monument Dedication Ceremony, 11:00 a.m., Coastal Bend Veteran Cemetery

May 7-Daniel Kilgore Local History Awards Banquet

May 18-Armed Forces Day

May 21-Texas Tropical Trail monthly partner event**

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**May 27-Memorial Day Ceremony, Coastal Bend Veteran Cemetery,
11:00 a.m.**

June 14-Flag Day

July 4-Independence Day

September 3-NCHS meeting, 7:00 p.m.

**** Contact Sandy Jumper Executive Director, for more info or to get on the mailing list, at info@texastropicaltrail.com.**

The Nueces County Historical Society meets the first Tuesday of the months of September-April. An annual Local History Awards Banquet is held on the first Tuesday in May. Our annual banquet will be held May 7 at the Emerald Beach Hotel.

Find us on Facebook or on the web at www.nuecescountyhistoricalsociety.org.

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WAR MONUMENT ★ DEDICATION ★ CEREMONY

*Please Join us for the
dedication of our four new
war monuments honoring
all who served in WWII,
Korea, Vietnam, and the
Persian Gulf.*

Friday, May 3, 2024 at 11:00 AM

*Coastal Bend State Veterans Cemetery
9974 IH 37 Access Rd.
Corpus Christi, Texas 78410*

IT IS NOW TIME TO SUBMIT YOUR DUES FOR 2023-2024.

The Nueces County Historical Society

NCHS Membership Year: September 2023 to August 2024

Name _____

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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Please select Membership Category:

<input type="checkbox"/> Military Veteran	No Charge (Present DD 214 or military ID)
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$15.00
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Nueces County Historical Society

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OR BRING TO THE NEXT MEETING...