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New Braunfels Public Library to Offer Genealogical History Lecture

New Braunfels, Texas — The New Braunfels Public Library will offer a lecture by Dr. Jim Tiller on Tuesday, February 24th at 1:00 p.m. entitled “Master Forger: Benjamin LaBree and Fraudulent Genealogy.”

Tiller, who was a professor of Geology at Sam Houston State University for 40 years, will discuss the little-known but fascinating story of Benjamin LaBree. LaBree, who in the 19th-century was a registrar for the Kentucky Society, Sons of the American Revolution, thrived as a “forger extraordinaire.” Tiller’s exploration of Benjamin LaBree appeared in 2009 in *Stirpes*, a publication of the Texas State Genealogical Society.

“Professor Tiller’s lecture will offer insight into a largely unknown historical figure, whose forgeries should interest those interested in American history and genealogy,” said Library Director Gretchen Pruett.

For more information on this program contact Alix Samuels at 830-221-4316.

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