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THF Director Donation Facilitates Texas Legal Research

THF Chairman Emeritus Marshall Doke, Jr., a Dallas attorney, recently donated 106 volumes of the official decisions of the Texas Supreme Court dating back to 1846—in their original leather binding—to the Bryan Museum in Galveston, <u>a THF member museum</u>. Because of his generous contribution, the legal opinions of the state's highest court will be available to the public for research in the museum by appointment.



boxes containing volumes of Supreme Court decisions that date to the mid-1800s. Photo supplied by Marshall Doke, Jr.

Bryan Museum Curator Carol Wood unloads

to San Antonio's Early Settlement Acequias are gravity-fed Spanish Colonial irrigation ditches, with

Irrigation Ditches Date Back

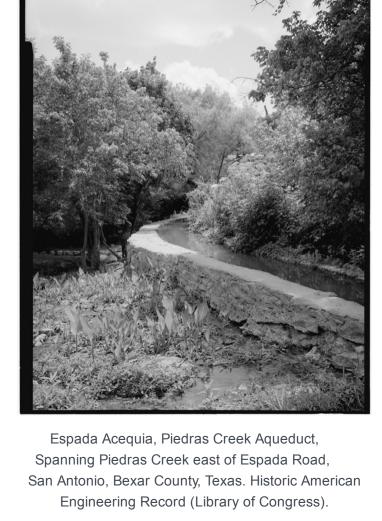
control gates, that were used in the 1700s to bring water to the fields and crops of early settlers in Bexar County. San Antonio's Espada Acequia system is still operational today,

University of Texas at San Antonio will write about acequias in the upcoming issue of <u>Texas HERITAGE magazine</u>. Here, the author explains the way these irrigation canals operate. By relying on gravity, these agricultural waterways always flow from higher to lower ground, typically following elevation contours. As a

result, acequias do not follow straight lines, often crossing the

286 years after it was first begun. Archeologist Clint McKenzie of the

landscape in curving lines to follow the slope downward. These canals are able to cross a major elevation change by use of an aqueduct, which serves as a bridge to move the water past an obstacle that otherwise would inhibit its function. All THF memberships come with a subscription to THF's awardwinning publication. Join now to read the full article.



Grant Deadlines Announced To date, more than 290 historic preservation projects have received

reviewed quarterly; upcoming deadlines for THF grant consideration

funding from the Texas Historical Foundation. Proposals are

are:

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MARCH 1

ANNOUNCED MID-APRIL

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