



# NEW MEXICO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## *GREETINGS NMGS MEMBERS*

We are officially in the Holiday season. Happy Holidays from the NMGS Board. Congratulations to all members that were able to attend the 65th Annual NMGS Conference. I'm positive that you gained some very valuable information to continue in your genealogy research. The speakers were fantastic and informative. A big THANK YOU to the committee for all their hard work in arranging a venue, speakers, and agendas. And let's not forget everyone else that provided support to have a successful conference, from checking in participants to technology assistance. It couldn't be done without everyone's participation.

Check out our new [Picuris Baptism](#) book 1750-1832. Volume II and III out later this year and early 2026.

*Maxine Bazán*

## **HOLIDAYS/REMEMBERANCE DATES**

Veterans Day  
Thanksgiving Day  
Christmas Day

November 11th  
November 27th  
December 25th



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### NMGS MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of New Mexico Genealogical Society (NMGS) is to promote, develop, and encourage genealogical research, to preserve and perpetuate the records of ancestry and publish records, and to make genealogical and historical information available to all through publications, meetings, and workshops.

# 65th Annual Conference

So many people came from different locations — cars, a train, and planes (one even flew in from Brazil)!!

|            |                |
|------------|----------------|
| Arizona    | Oklahoma       |
| Brazil     | Oregon         |
| California | Tennessee      |
| Colorado   | Texas          |
| Florida    | Utah           |
| Minnesota  | Virginia       |
| New Mexico | Washington, DC |
| Ohio       |                |



## Election Results (2026-2027)

Elected for the next two years:

*President, Henrietta Martinez Christmas*

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*Members-at-Large: Maxine Bazan, Jordan Jones, Daría Landress, Angela Lewis*

# Lo de Mora and their Connection to Picuris

Danny Martinez

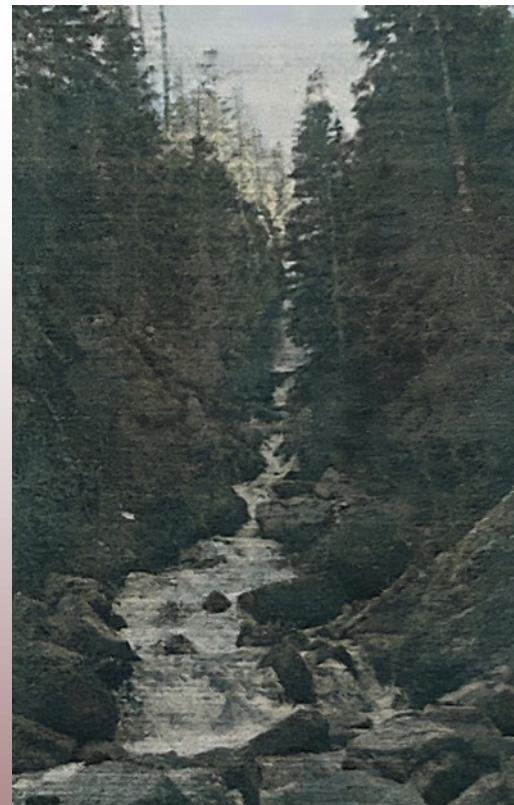
Governor Tomas Velez Cachupin, wrote reports about "el Valle de Mora"

*Governor Velez wrote to his successor that Picuris and Taos Indian scouts should be used to patrol vulnerable gaps in the mountain passes in and around the Mora Valley. Previous governors knew the Mora Valley as the Northeastern gateway to the province of New Mexico. Additionally, Governor Velez did leave detailed instructions to his successor, Don Francisco Antonio de Marin, to deal with and keep watch for nomadic Natives who might enter the Mora Valley and do harm to the Picuris or other New Mexico settlements.*

Alfred Barnaby Thomas. *The Plain Indian and New Mexico – 1751-1778.* Pg. 143

On October 6, 1818, we find the Teniente de Partido, **don Antonio Olguin**, of Mora, reporting to the governor that he had fruitlessly crossed the mountains in pursuit of a band of Navajos and Jicarilla Apaches who had stolen a herd of fifty horses from Mora, and had killed one person. Olguin is credited as one of the leaders and founders of the San Antonio de Lo de Mora settlement.

Don Antonio Olguin for his part, was originally from Picuris. He was a leading citizen and was head of the militia in Picuris. When the time came, Olguin no doubt persuaded other citizens from Picuris and nearby communities of Chamisal, Llano, Trampas, Truchas, Santa Barbara, and Taos to join together with his family, as pioneers and as the first settlers in the Mora Valley. Additional families included people from San Juan de los Caballeros. In time, families from as far east as Abiquiu and Ojo Caliente also moved to Lo de Mora. The reason for the move was also due to overpopulation, and lack of lands for the growth of sustenance. The people were forced to find new lands, which came by way of the fertile Valley of Mora. These people were Spanish Colonial Mestizos, as these dates from 1815-1820 are pre-Mexican Republic and were still under Spanish rule. Therefore, it is quite possible that a Pre-Spanish land grant document existed before the 1835 "de Lo de Mora" land grant that was issued by the Mexican Republic.



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## Lo de Mora and Their Connection to Picuris

Don Antonio Olguin rallied the new Mora pioneers to confront an emerging problem of water shortage. Don Antonio Olguin, being from Picuris himself, asked Picuris officials that he and the other residents of de Lo de Mora be given permission to divert much needed water from the western watershed of the Picuris Mountains by making an acequia. Their request was miraculously granted. How the Mora settlers were able to divert and defy the gravitational flow of water from the headwaters of the Rio Pueblo to the Mora valley without the use of proper equipment is still a mystery. No doubt ingenuity and hard labor helped the early settlers to persevere. There might also have been a natural watershed from Picuris to Mora that was already forming. Perhaps the Spanish people only helped to speed the process up.

*Cleveland Acequia de la Sierra bringing water from the middle branch of the Rio del Pueblo to the Mora Valley – Photo courtesy of Malcolm Ebright*

One interesting side note, the following record of the main co-founder of Lo de Mora, Antonio Olguin's death. The record is as follows and is written twice:

In this parish of San Lorenzo de Picurís, I, Juan Bruno González, minister of San Lorenzo de Picurís, gave ecclesiastical burial to the body of **José Antonio Olguín**, husband of Lugarda García, residents of Llano, without having made a will and without confession, because he died in the area of Mora, at the hands of the gentiles. 28 June. And so that it may be recorded, I sign. Fray Juan Bruno González.

On 23 June 1822, in this parish of San Lorenzo de Picurís, I, Juan Bruno González, minister of San Lorenzo de Picurís, gave ecclesiastical burial to the body of **José Antonio Olguín**, from Santa Barbara, husband of Lugarda García, without having made a will and without confession, at the hands of the Navajos, at lo de Mora on June 28. And so that it may be recorded, I sign. Fray Juan Bruno González.

Catholic Church. St. Lawrence Mission (Picuris, New Mexico). Deaths, 1726-1856. FamilySearch. Olguin (1822). FHL #16869 image 239, bottom of left page and right top page.



## Locating Records for Mora – by Danny Martinez

### Record Locations for Early Mora Settlers (before 1830)

| Record Type                                      | Jurisdiction / Source                  | Citation / Repository   | Notes for Genealogists  |
|--|--|---|---|
| Baptisms, Marriages, Burials                     | San Lorenzo de Picurís Parish          | Picurís sacramental registers, 18th–19th centuries. AASF Film, also digitized via FamilySearch microfilms.<br><br>NMGS Taos Baptisms, Vol IV 1844–1850 include some Mora settlers. Abstracted by Al Regensberg, Edited by Della Ulibarri Montoya, <i>New Mexico Baptisms, Santa Gertrudis Church of Mora 1855–1860</i> (NMGS, Albuquerque, NM. 1994). | All spiritual administration for Mora, Trampas, Chamisal, and Llano fell under Picurís. Families will not appear in Mora books before its own parish. |
| Civil Disputes, Land Petitions, Local Governance | Alcalde Mayor of Picurís is under Taos | Alcalde records, Picurís jurisdiction. Spanish Archives of New Mexico (SANM), The Sender Collection.  | Early Mora settlers reported to the Picurís alcalde for legal, administrative, and land-related matters.  |
| Military Oversight, Security Reports             | Governor of New Mexico                 | Governor's orders and correspondence, Spanish Archives of New Mexico (SANM), Series I and Series II.  | Mora is viewed as the 'northeastern gateway'; military patrols are often documented in governors' reports.  |
| Census / Padrones                                | Taos / Picurís District                | Provincial censuses, Spanish Archives of New Mexico (NMGS Census books).<br><br>1790 Picuris. 1845 Mora, Valle de San Antonio, El Rito.   | Mora households may appear listed under Taos or Picurís jurisdiction before Mora became an independent district.                                      |





## Member Spotlight!

NMGS member **Yvette Cohn Stoer** is honoring her heritage in a truly remarkable way. She embodies what it means to be a true New Mexican—rooted in tradition, proud of her ancestry, and inspiring in the way she carries her story forward.

And this is just the beginning—Yvette's journey continues, with more to come in a forthcoming documentary. Stay tuned!

[\*\*Click here\*\*](#) to read the article.

East Mountains

## East Mountains resident receives Library of Congress grant to document New Mexico cultural traditions

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Procession through the village of Carmel during the Fiesta de Santo Niño, May 4, 2024. Photo by Yvette Cohn Stoer.



Submitted by Henrietta M. Christmas

## *Pleitos de Hidalguía during the Reign of Philip II 1571-1598*

The volumes of *Pleitos de hidalguía*, compiled and edited by Manuel Ladrón de Guevara e Isasa, contain detailed extracts of lawsuits filed before the Royal Chancery of Granada during the reign of Philip II (1571–1598). These lawsuits were brought by individuals and families seeking legal recognition of their noble status as hidalgos. To be declared an hidalgo meant exemption from certain taxes, access to civic and military offices, and the preservation of family honor within Castilian society.

Each case is carefully summarized, recording the litigants' names, places of residence, dates of the proceedings, family relationships, marriages, and proofs of lineage. The documents also reflect the kinds of evidence accepted by the courts: testimony from local witnesses, genealogical charts, baptismal and marriage certificates, references to ancestral homes or chapels, and occasional heraldic symbols. The indexes of names and places make it possible for researchers to trace individuals and families across multiple cases.

From a historical perspective, these volumes illustrate the importance of nobility in sixteenth-century Castile, a society where social mobility often hinged on proving noble ancestry. The reign of Philip II, marked by centralization of authority and defense of traditional social hierarchies, generated an especially large number of these suits. Claimants not only sought personal advantage but also defended family honor in a society where noble identity carried significant weight.

For genealogists and historians, the *Pleitos de hidalguía* of Philip II's era are indispensable. They provide unique access to lineages otherwise undocumented, reveal patterns of migration within and beyond Andalusia, and capture the voices of witnesses whose testimony illuminates local customs, reputations, and community memory. Collectively, they form a foundational source for the study of Spanish nobility, family history, and legal culture in the later sixteenth century.

### CITATION

Manuel Ladrón de Guevara e Isasa, ed. *Pleitos de hidalguía que se conservan en la Real Chancillería de Granada: Extracto de sus expedientes, Reinado de Felipe II*. Granada: Archivo de la Real Chancillería de Granada, various volumes, (A-D), (E-L), (M-R), (S-Z). Published in 2022.

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## *Pleitos de Hidalguía*

Volume (A-D) holds the Leonardo de Cervantes Casaos name. Participated in the conquest with Cortes in 1519. Names Alonso Gomez de Cervantes, Gonzalo Gomez de Cervantes, & Lucas de Lara. Pg. 550

Francisco de Cervantes, son of Diego de Cervantes and he Married Maria Diaz. Pgs. 551-553.

Volume (E-L) holds Gonzalo Gomez de Cervantes, Pg. 278

Marvin Lunenfeld, *Keepers of the City: The Corregidores of Isabella I of Castile, 1474–1501* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1987).

Marvin Lunenfeld's *Keepers of the City: The Corregidores of Isabella I of Castile, 1474–1501* offers an in-depth look at how Queen Isabella reshaped municipal governance during the early years of Spain's transformation into a centralized monarchy. The office of *corregidor*—royal officials dispatched to towns and cities across Castile—served as the monarchs' eyes, ears, and hands in local administration. By studying these men and their functions, Lunenfeld demonstrates how Isabella and Ferdinand tightened royal control, curbed abuses of municipal oligarchies, and strengthened justice, taxation, and defense.

The book highlights both the administrative reforms and the political struggles of late fifteenth-century Castile, a period of transition from feudal fragmentation to a more unified kingdom. Lunenfeld paints the *corregidores* as pivotal figures: arbiters of justice, mediators between crown and community, and enforcers of royal will. Their work reinforced Isabella's authority, while also laying the groundwork for Spain's later imperial expansion.

Blending archival research with clear narrative, *Keepers of the City* illuminates the practical machinery of power that underpinned Isabella's reign. For historians and genealogists alike, it provides insight into the evolving structures of local governance and the broader shift toward early modern statecraft in Iberia.





# Unraveling the Valdez Legacy in Colonial New Mexico Using Genetic Genealogy

*Submitted by Daria C. Landress*

What happens when centuries-old family trees meet cutting-edge DNA science? In colonial New Mexico, thousands of descendants carry the Valdez surname—but do they share the same ancestor?

The groundbreaking study by the New Mexico Genealogical DNA Project uses Big Y-700 DNA analysis to unravel one of New Mexico's most persistent genealogical mysteries: determining which Valdez families descend from José Luis Ruiz de Valdez, a Spanish soldier who arrived in 1693 and died at Zuni Mission in 1703.

While traditional records trace his six documented sons through marriages and land grants, gaps in colonial documentation especially after the Pueblo Revolt of 1680 destroyed many records—having left researchers guessing about true family connections.

The genetic evidence reveals a stunning truth: nine distinct patrilineal lineages carry the Valdez surname in New Mexico. Currently, only 37% of tested Valdez descendants share what is believed to be the José Luis Ruiz de Valdez DNA signature. The remaining groups descend from entirely different men who adopted the surname through the fluid naming practices of colonial society, including godparent relationships, informal adoptions, and social mobility strategies.

This research doesn't just solve a genealogical puzzle—it fundamentally challenges how we understand colonial family history. The study demonstrates that surnames don't always follow bloodlines, and that genetic testing can reveal unexpected truths about our colonial past, sometimes confirming long-held assumptions but often uncovering surprising disconnections between family names and biological ancestry.

For the thousands of descendants with Valdez ancestry, this work offers a scientific roadmap to discovering their true origins while opening new questions about identity, belonging, and what it means to carry a historic name. Stay tuned for an upcoming article that will dive deeper into the Valdez surname and Big Y-700 study and learn how you can participate.



# Findings in Mexican Records

Submitted by Damien Aragon

José Antonio Esquibel. *The Spanish Recolonization of New Mexico*. (1999), page 210, mentions Juan de Godínez and María Bernal. I found another of their children in the Marriage Investigation records:

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24 Jan 1666 Manuel Prieto of this city s/ Antonio Nieto [Prieto] y dona Agustina de Vera with Josefa Godinez of this city d/ Juan de Godinez y Maria Bernal.

Juan de Godínez and María Bernal currently do not have a New Mexico connection.

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In another article by José Antonio Esquibel, *The Spanish Recolonization of New Mexico* (1999), page 229, he mentions Diego Girón de Tejeda and his wife Francisca Núñez de Espinosa, who left descendants in New Mexico.

Isabel López y Mendoza, is likely the oldest child, baptized 10 January 1602 and married Gregorio de Figueroa in Puebla de los Angeles. The marriage record states:

“1 August 1617 Gregorio de Figueroa of Cuyoacan widow of Ana de Hurtado with Isabel de Lujan y Mendoza d/ Diego de Tejeda y Francisca Nunez.”

Gregorio de Figueroa was an ensign that came to New Mexico in 1600 with his wife Ana de Mendoza (aka Ana Hurtado).

## New Mexico Historical Review Vol. 2, page 166 (1927):

*Official List of the People Who Went to New Mexico in 1600.*

*First passed Juan Guerra de Resa, lieutenant adelantado, governor and captain general of New Mexico, on horseback, the reins in one hand with a staff of command in the other; near him a page completely equipped with arms—coat of mail, buckskin leather jacket, cuishes, helmet, beaver, harquebus and a horse armed in tanned buckskins.*

*Company of Captain Bernabe de las Casas.*

*Gregorio de Figueroa, son of Diego Ruiz de Figueroa, native of the city of Mexico, short of stature, beard growing, 21 years old, armed like the rest.*

## New Mexico Historical Review Vol. 2, page 173 (1927):

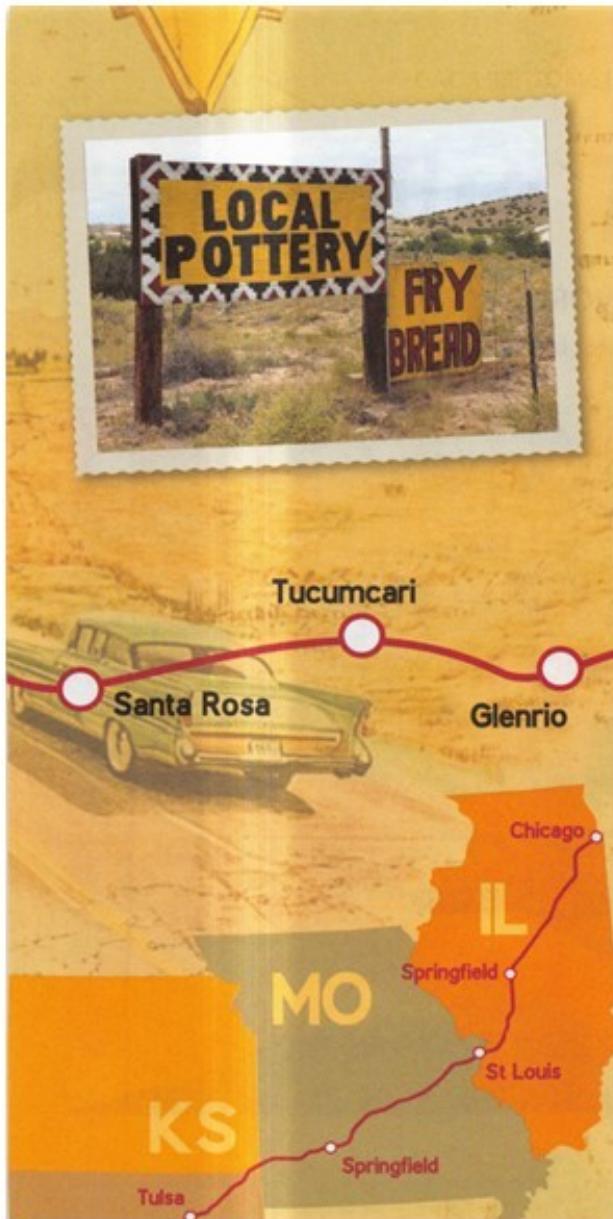
*Dona Anna de Mendoza, daughter of dona Luisa de Mendoza, native of Mexico, wife of the ensign Gregorio de Figueroa.*

With this information Ana de Mendoza is likely the daughter of Pedro de Villanueva and Luisa de Mendoza y Miranda. Ana was baptized in Mexico City as “Ana Maria baptized 18 February 1584 d/ Pedro de Villanueva y Luisa de Miranda; gp/ Juan de Villanueva y Ana Cortes, his wife (Juan was the brother of Pedro).

We know that Gregorio de Figueroa and Ana de Mendoza were married by 1600 per the New Mexico Historical Review article. I have found three children for this couple:

1. **Ana de Figuero y Mendoza** baptized in Mexico City, 28 February 1614 Ana d/ Gregorio de Figueroa y Ana de Mendoza; gp/ Juan Benitez Camacho y dona Ines de Aragon.
2. **Gertrudis de Figueroa** who married Juan Suárez de Acosta, marriage investigation record states: *17 November 1644 Juan Suarez de Acosta of Lagos en Los Alga s/ Manuel de Acosta, Corta Real, y Beatriz Suarez with Gertrudis de Figueroa of Mexico City d/ Gregorio de Figueroa y Ana de Mendoza.*
3. **Diego de Figueroa Salcedo** who married María de Peralta, marriage investigation record states: *1 January 1650 Domingo de Figueroa Salcedo of Mexico City d/ Gregorio de Figueroa y dona Ana de Mendoza Hurtado with Maria de Peralta of Mexico City w/ Isidro de la Torre y Velasco.*

It is interesting to note Isabel's surname “López y Mendoza” likely that it came from her paternal grandmother.



## SAVOR THE MOTHER ROAD

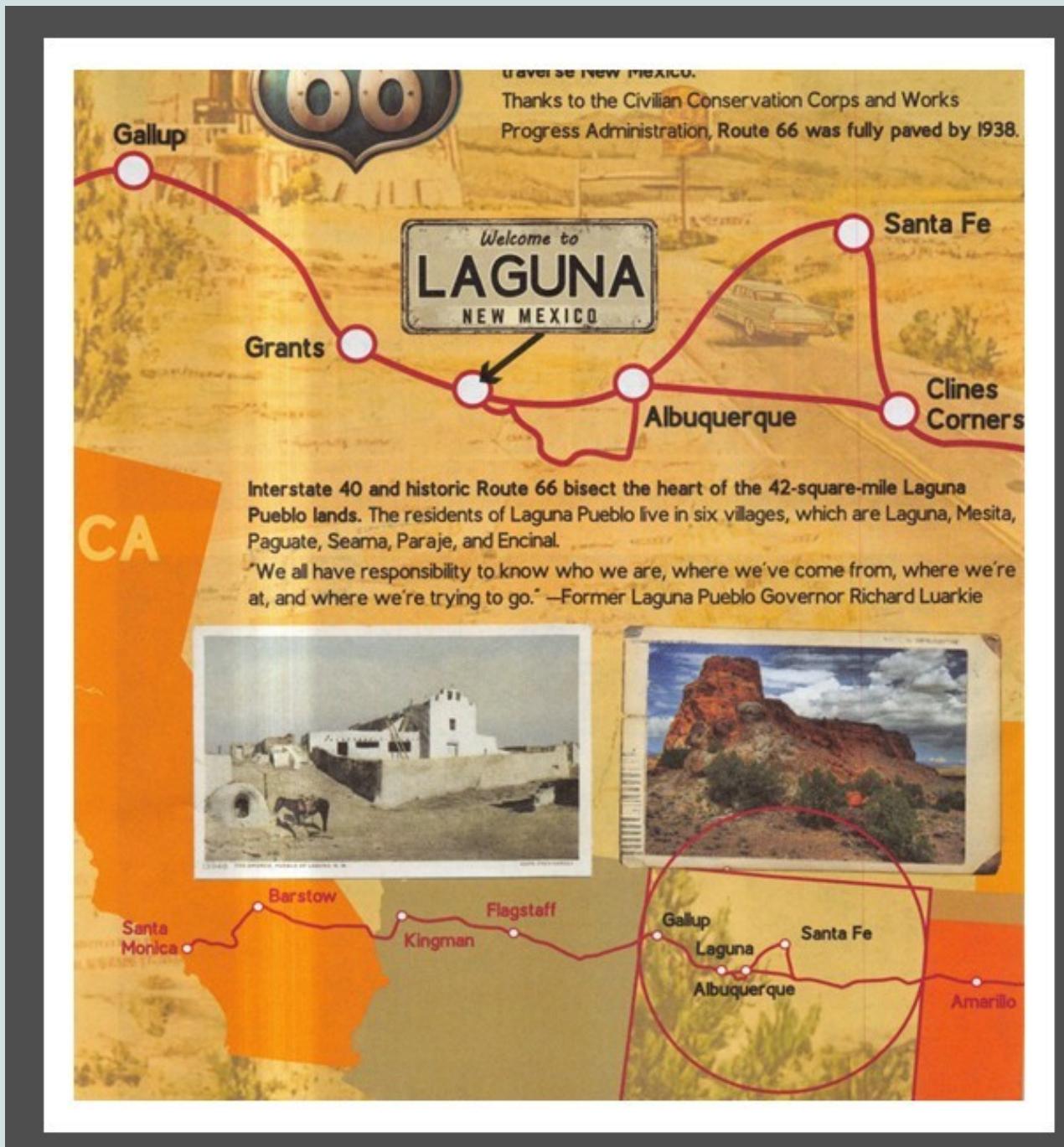
### A Culinary Journey Along New Mexico's Route 66

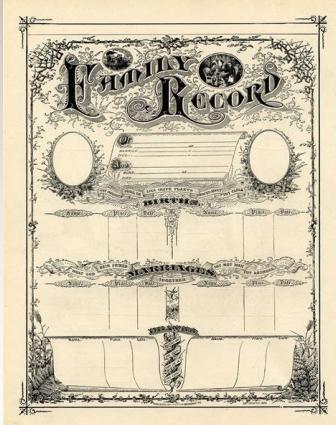
This story kicks off Savor the Mother Road, an eight-part series from *edible New Mexico* celebrating the hundredth anniversary of Route 66. Through the universal language of food, we'll explore the local flavors, traditions, and people that make New Mexico's stretch of the Mother Road so distinctive. From classic diners and family-run businesses to innovative chefs and historic foodways, this series invites both locals and visitors to rediscover Route 66 as a culinary adventure.

New Mexico's share of Route 66 once spanned 487 miles, winding through Santa Fe and Valencia County before realignments shortened the route to 399 miles by 1938. The original 1926 alignment created a wide S curve, swinging north through Glorieta Pass, Pecos, and the heart of Santa Fe, then cutting south through Albuquerque and Los Lunas, where it turned west to Laguna. In 1937, the road was rerouted more directly west, following Central Avenue through Albuquerque and on to Gallup via what is now I-40. Each stop along the way reveals layers of history, culture, and flavor—stories we'll be telling one bite at a time.

*This series is brought to you by the New Mexico Tourism Department.*







*We're getting ready for membership renewals—please email any changes to:*

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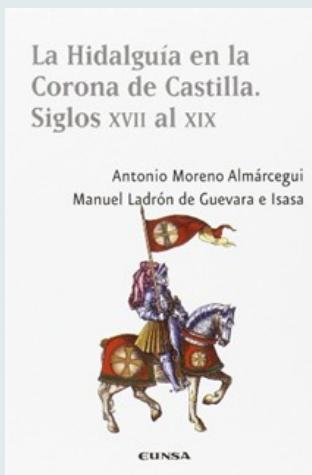
*Thanks to all who renewed their membership or joined NMGS in 2025.*

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| <i>Anaya (Psy. D), Pauline</i> | <i>Postovit, Amy</i>          |
| <i>Cornwell, Betsy</i>         | <i>Rogers, Kay</i>            |
| <i>Francis, Douglas</i>        | <i>Romero, Connie</i>         |
| <i>Gonzales, Carol</i>         | <i>Saavedra, Juan Aniceto</i> |
| <i>Gonzales, Paula</i>         | <i>Sanchez, Brenda</i>        |
| <i>Gonzales, Teresa</i>        | <i>Smith, Nadine</i>          |
| <i>Herrera-Shawver, Anna</i>   | <i>Wheelis, Lisa</i>          |
| <i>Montoya, Lorraine</i>       |                               |



## NMGS Books Purchased for the Albuquerque Public Library

Moreno Almárcegui, Antonio, and Manuel Ladrón de Guevara e Isasa. *La hidalgía en la Corona de Castilla. Siglos XVII al XIX*. Pamplona: EUNSA, 2016.



Drawing on case files from the Royal Chancery of Valladolid, the book examines the evolution of the Castilian hidalgía — the lower nobility — from the second half of the early modern period to the early 19th century, when most of its privileges were abolished.

The authors focus on the regional origins and geographic distribution of hidalgos (untitled nobles) north of the River Tagus. They emphasize that much of the royal administration during the 16th and 17th centuries came from these hidalgo regions, shaping what they describe as two separate “Spains” within the same monarchy.

The book also highlights the struggles of the lower nobility to establish themselves in the large urban centers and in the more commercially dynamic southern regions of Spain. This limited expansion prevented the hidalgos from forming a unified, homogeneous class across the Iberian Peninsula.

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Machado, José-Luis. *Historical Lawsuits Elevated to the Royal Audience of the Canary Islands: In the 16th to 18th Centuries. Pleitos históricos elevados a la Real Audiencia de Canarias en los siglos XVI al XVIII*. CreateSpace, 2018. 518 pages.

In this influential compendium, José-Luis Machado gathers a collection of civil lawsuits presented before the Royal Audience of the Canary Islands from the 16th to the 18th centuries—cases involving prominent families such as the Castillo Olivares, Manrique, Lercaro, Matos, Coronado, Falcón, Soria, Westerling, Perdomo, and others. These legal proceedings go beyond the strictly judicial sphere, providing a deeper understanding of the social, political, and economic tensions in Canary society during a period of transformation. The claims and defenses were grounded in solid doctrinal arguments, supported by important legal codes of the time, such as Las Siete Partidas and the Novísima Recopilación.

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Cordero Alvarado, Pedro. 1996. *Trujillo: Guía monumental y heráldica*. Cáceres: Instituto de Estudios Heráldicos y Genealógicos de Extremadura.

*Trujillo: Guía Monumental y Heráldica* is a richly detailed guide to the city of Trujillo (in Extremadura, Spain), blending historical narratives with artistic and heraldic descriptions. Written by Pedro Cordero Alvarado and published in 1996 by the Instituto de Estudios Heráldicos y Genealógicos de Extremadura in Cáceres, with an edition by María Maestre Editorial, the work offers over 230 pages of insights into the city's monuments, architectural highlights, and heraldic symbols, illuminating Trujillo's cultural and noble heritage.

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## NMGS Books Purchased

Vilches y Marín, Ernesto de. *Libro de oro de los apellidos españoles: Su etimología, genealogía y heráldica. Serie primera*. Madrid: Editorial Maxtor, 2022. Reprint from 1902.

An illustrated reference work authored by Ernesto de Vilches y Marín, first published in Madrid in 1902 by Nuevo Mundo. Spanning approximately 310 pages complemented by 19 plates of heraldic illustrations, it meticulously explores the origins, lineages, and noble coats of arms associated with many prominent Spanish surnames. The content is structured methodically, including an index and richly descriptive sections that delve into the etymology and history of each surname. Vilches y Marín skillfully combines genealogical narrative with visual heraldic elements—allowing readers to identify family arms seen in documents or architecture, then trace them back to their surnames.

This work stands as a practical and educational manual of Spanish heraldry, notable for its clarity and scope. Even today, it remains a valuable resource for historians, genealogists, and anyone intrigued by the origins and symbolism of Spanish family names.

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Ravina Martín, Manuel. *Catálogo de los documentos genealógicos del Archivo Histórico Provincial de Cádiz*. Madrid: Instituto Salazar y Castro, Consejo Superior de Investigaciones Científicas, 1993.

This catalog, compiled by Manuel Ravina Martín and published in 1993 by the Instituto Salazar y Castro, serves as a foundational resource for genealogists studying families connected to Cádiz and southern Spain. It provides a systematic inventory of genealogical materials held at the Archivo Histórico Provincial de Cádiz.

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Sánchez, Santiago González. *La alta nobleza castellana a comienzos del siglo XV: Consolidación de linajes y casas nobles*. Madrid, 2018.

Santiago González Sánchez's study provides an in-depth examination of the Castilian high nobility (*alta nobleza*) at the beginning of the 15th century, focusing on how powerful noble houses consolidated their social, political, and economic influence during a transformative period in Spanish history. The book explores the strategies used by leading families—such as arranged marriages, alliances with the monarchy, control over vast estates, and hereditary titles—to strengthen their positions and expand their lineage networks. Through detailed archival research, Sánchez traces the rise of prominent houses like the Mendoza, Guzmán, Manrique, and Quiñones families, offering valuable insight into how aristocratic identity and power evolved during the late medieval period. Indexed by first name.

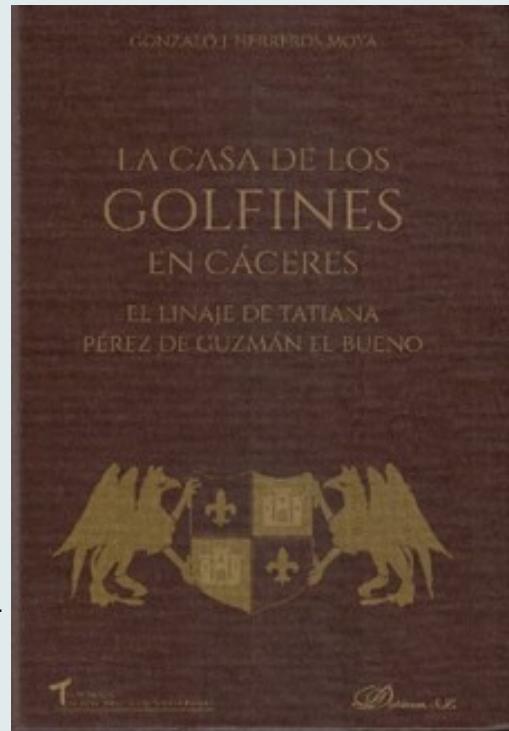
Names: Quiñones, 85; Afan de Ribera, 200.

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## NMGS Books Purchased

Herreros Moya, Gonzalo J. *La casa de los Golfines en Cáceres: El linaje de Tatiana Pérez de Guzmán el Bueno*. Madrid: Fundación Tatiana Pérez de Guzmán el Bueno / Dykinson, S.L., 2018.

This book by Gonzalo J. Herreros Moya provides a detailed genealogical and historical study of the *Casa de los Golfines* in Cáceres, one of the most prominent noble families in Extremadura, Spain. It focuses on the lineage of Tatiana Pérez de Guzmán el Bueno, tracing the family's origins, alliances, and their role in shaping local and regional history from the medieval period onward. Through extensive archival research, the author explores the political influence, economic power, and social standing of the Golfines, as well as their connection to other distinguished noble houses within Spain. Rich with heraldic information, architectural references, and genealogical data, this work is an essential resource for historians and genealogists studying the noble lineages of Extremadura and the Pérez de Guzmán family's broader impact on Spanish history. Includes full color charts, illustrations, genealogy reports—no index, but does have a bibliography.



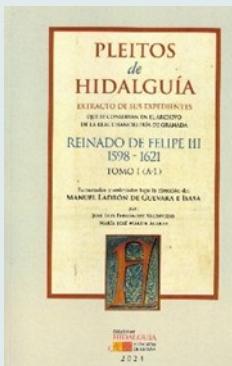
### Major Allied Noble Families

The Golfines intermarried with prominent lineages, strengthening their influence:

| Family Name       | Title / Role                        | Key Alliance / Connection   |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| Pérez de Guzmán   | Dukes of Medina Sidonia             | Direct bloodline via Tatiana; Guzmán el Bueno's heroism at Tarifa (1294) brought early prestige |
| Zúñiga            | Dukes of Béjar, Counts of Plasencia | Political and economic alliances in Extremadura   |
| Pacheco           | Dukes of Escalona                   | Marriage alliances expanded Golfines influence at court   |
| Álvarez de Toledo | Dukes of Alba                       | Linked via heraldry and property exchanges  |
| Vargas            | Extremadura nobility                | Maintained strong ties through Cáceres councils   |

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## NMGS Books Purchased



Manuel Ladrón de Guevara e Isasa, dir. *Pleitos de hidalgua: Extracto de sus expedientes que se conservan en el Archivo de la Real Chancillería de Granada. Reinado de Felipe III, 1598–1621. Vol. I, A–L.* Edited by José Luis Fernández Valdivieso and María José Martínez Alario. Madrid: Ediciones Hidalguía, 2024.

### Tomo II (M–Z).

These abstracts document legal disputes brought before the **Royal Chancery of Granada**, where individuals and families sought official recognition of their noble status. Each entry typically includes the names of plaintiffs and defendants, locations of origin, summaries of the claims, court decisions, and archival reference numbers for the original case files. Vol II has the index; the book is by surname.

#### Genealogical Value

For genealogists, these books are invaluable because:

1. **Noble Lineage Proof:** They confirm hidalgo status, often necessary for military appointments, tax exemptions, or entry into prestigious institutions.
2. **Geographic Detail:** Cases span multiple provinces, offering insights into settlement patterns and family migrations across Spain.
3. **Primary Source Access:** Each abstract points directly to the original archival file in Granada, allowing researchers to locate the full expediente for deeper study.

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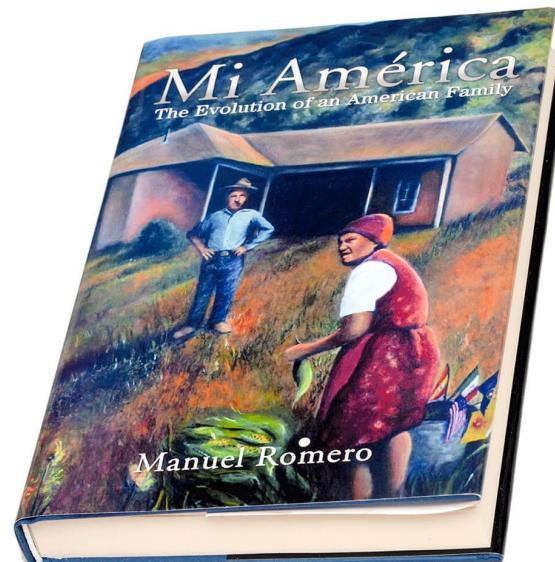
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