BAY AREA GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2002

The meeting of the Bay Area Genealogical Society was held at the University Baptist Church on May 19, 2002 and was called to order by President Carolyn Hellen at 5:30 p.m. Jeanine Lawrence welcomed those present and gave the invocation.

The speaker for the evening, Gay Carter, Reference/Documents Librarian at Alfred R. Neumann Library, University of Houston - Clear Lake was introduced by Nate Grimes. Her presentation on *Hidden Gold: Using a University Library for Genealogical Research* was outstanding. She provided each member with a reference guide with suggestions for areas of research and helpful hints for using university libraries. Her informative talk was well received and members had a brief period for questions.

The meeting reconvened after a refreshment break and began with the Pledge to the Flag of the United States led by Sergeant-at-Arms Roy Hellen.

Secretary Diane Thompson read the minutes for the April 28, 2002 meeting. They were approved as read. Treasurer Dottie Crabb reported that the balance on hand was \$1579.19.

Members wishing to research at the Neumann Library will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 23 at UBC to go to the library and have a tour from Gay Carter.

Announcements:

We still need recipes for the society cookbook. Please turn in three surnames you are researching if you have not done so to Carolyn Hellen. These surnames will appear in the society yearbook.

Neil Miserendino, Registrar, reported that a beginning genealogy class was held at Freeman Library on May 18, Kathleen Sullivan leading the group. There were 11 persons in attendance. Another session will be held on May 25.

President Hellen asked for a show of hands of those who would like to receive the society newsletter by e-mail in the future. There was great interest in this proposal. Members who would like to receive a hard copy by mail would have that option.

Liz Hicks, member of the board of Clayton Library Friends spoke eloquently concerning the proposed cuts to the budget at Clayton. She asked members to contact Houston city officials immediately concerning this problem and ask that the funding for more staff members and longer hours be restored.

The president thanked those members who provided delicious refreshments for the evening.

On Wednesday, June 12 there will be a society trip to Beaumont, including the John French Museum and the Tyrell Historical Library. Members interested should sign up.

Jeanine Lawrence announced that the next trip to Clayton Library will be on Thursday June 13. She reported that the Jack Rowe Funeral Home Project has completed 1958 Y 1958.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Diane S. Thompson

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BALANCE FORWARD		\$1,510.94
INCOME		
Membership Dues		\$ 105.00
TOTAL INCOME		\$1,615.94
EXPENSES		
RESERVE FUND	\$300.00	
Newsletter-May Copies Postage		
Church Use-April		\$16.75
Speaker-Marje Harris		\$20.00
Historian		
Education		
State Genealogy Society Dues		
Seminar Expenses		
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 36.75
BALANCE ON HAND		<u>\$1,579.19</u>