Bay Area Genealogical Society General Meeting Minutes Sunday, February 29, 2004

President Neil Miserendino called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Neil announced that the scheduled speaker, Wolfram M. Von-Maszewski who was going to speak on "German Research based on the Clayton Collection" had surgery so he was unable to speak. Robert de Berardinis and Marje Harris, Director of the Clayton Library, will present a program on "Problem Solving".

Jeanine Lawrence welcomed everyone to the meeting. Jeanine said that it was "Leap Year" and it only comes once every four years. She read from Genesis Chapter 1 that told about why we have seasons, days, and years. Jeanine led us in a prayer.

Bill Teas, Sergeant-at-Arms led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Neil Miserendino introduced the speakers, Robert de Berardinis and Marje Harris in the absence of Dick Warren.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. The next trip to the Clayton Library will be Wednesday, March 17. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the room.
- 2. We also have sign-up sheets to help with the Houston Archives. You can be a part of this service project.
- 3. The "Yearbook" is ready. Please pick up a copy. There are also "Quarterlies" in the back of the room.
- 4. There is still some confusion about the Five Generation Charts. Tammy Frey has written a sample Five Generation Chart with descriptions. You may pick up copies. These copies will help you fill out your Five Generation Chart. There are also blank charts for you to return to the next meeting or mail to our post office box.
- 5. The Humble Genealogical Society is having a seminar on Saturday, March 27 at Kingwood College from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The speaker will be Robert de Berardinis. There are registration forms in the back of the room.
- 6. Copies of websites to visit and past speaker's handouts are available for a small fee. Payment is on the honor system.
- 7. Neil thanked Leo Waltz for performing above and beyond his regular duties on the newsletter. Leo made a new cover page for the new scheduled speakers due to the illness of the original scheduled speaker. The new front page was put on the website, but the newsletters that were mailed had the original front page.
- 8. Please leave your nametags when you leave.

Neil read the list of the visitors: Robert de Berardinis and his wife Julia, Shirley Robbins, Barbara Brown, Marilyn Turner, Sandy Watters, Lorena Martin, Lanny Martin, Darwin Gilmore, Claudette Stark, and Marje Harris.

Neil Miserendino thanked the following people for bringing refreshments: Mary Pearson, Jackie Wittschen, Garry Garrett, Tammy Frey, Delores White, Dean Glenn, Lynda Cox, Patsy McCall, Mary Brandhorst, Paula Sinning, Diane Kropp, and David Cate.

The meeting was adjourned for the Social Hour.

Respectfully submitted,

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Recording Secretary