Bay Area Genealogical Society General Meeting Minutes Sunday, October 31, 2004 (Corrected)

President Ron Cox called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m.

Jeanine Lawrence welcomed everyone to the church. Jeanine read from a study that her church is doing from "The Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren. (Ephesians 2:10; Mark 12:30; 1 Timothy 3:14-15; (Romans 8: 28-29; and 1 Peter 4:10). Jeanine led us in a prayer.

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

Ron Cox introduced himself as the new president of the Bay Area Genealogical Society. He welcomed the guests and new members and had the guests stand up.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. If you are a member, you need to pay your dues. All members need to fill out a new application. You may pay your dues with Rose Mary Fritz, Registrar, at the table in the back of the room.
- 2. Neil Miserendino was recognized as the past president of B.A.G.S. with a gift of a Plexiglas family tree.
- 3. Neil Miserendino said that he had one syllabus left over from the Federation of Genealogical Societies Conference in Austin in September. He said that he might be able to get more of them; there is a sign-up sheet on a table in the back of the room.
- 4. Neil Miserendino is selling tickets for the Christmas Party; the cost is \$12.00 per person. The cut-off date for buying tickets is December 3. Neil will be selling them tonight, at the November meeting, and they can be mailed.
- 5. In March, B.A.G.S. will have a display at the Freeman Library. Claudia Grafton is working on the display. She would like memorabilia, heirlooms, quilts, scrapbooks, etc. for the display. Claudia is taking names and ideas. If you want to ask questions, call Claudia, her phone number and e-mail address are in the newsletter.
- 6. Tammy Frey is working on the Five-Generation Charts. She has blank copies and a sample at a table in the back of the room. Tammy will help you fill out your chart. Tammy has a list of the members whose Five-Generation Charts are not in the file. Look at the list to see if you are not on it. Also, turn in a new chart with updated information.
- 7. Susie Ganch, Newsletter (Quarterly Editor) Editor, would like stories about how your family moved to Texas. Susie is not here tonight, but you can send your stories to her or give them to Ron Cox.
- 8. Judy Henderson is in charge of a project to work on materials at the Harris County Archives. They meet at the Clear Lake Bible Church at 620 El Dorado and carpool to the archives. Contact her if you would like to be a part of this project.

- 9. To look at items about the Society, look at the website: www.TxBayAreaGen.org.
- 10. Dick Warren is celebrating his 50th wedding anniversary next year.
- 11. Neil Miserendino made an announcement that we need people to decorate the tables for the Christmas Party. See Linda Goerland if you would like to do a table.
- 12. The next trip to the Clayton Library is this coming Wednesday, November 3. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the room.

We adjourned the meeting to have a program entitled "The Birth of the Railroads in the United States" by Gayle L. Sandstedt-Workman.

After the program, we had refreshments.

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Ron Cox recognized the following visitors to the meeting: Chris Schillinger, Gloria Russell, Oran Russell, Gayle Workman, Dana B. Huoni, Janet Sikkenga, and Ethel Wind.

The following people provided the refreshments: Renee Ball, Guy Bodek, Doreen Brubaker, Carolyn DuBois, Gail Hunter, Shirley Hughes, Geri Smith, Oletia Teas, and Jackie Wittschen.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Leonard Martin

Recording Secretary