Bay Area Genealogical Society General Meeting Minutes Sunday, November 28, 2004

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

Jeanine Lawrence, Meeting Room Chairman, read Psalms 100 and led us in a prayer.

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

Ron Cox had the guests stand, and he invited them to come again.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Members need to renew their membership for next year. The cut off date is December 1, 2004. Rose Mary Fritz, Registrar, is in the back of the room, and she will take the membership renewals. All members need to fill out a new application form.
- 2. We need people to work on the newsletter. Loren Martin, First Vice President, will talk about the problem. We need a volunteer to lay out the newsletter for the computer. It can be a fun thing to do. Loren Martin and Leo Waltz will talk to people who are interested in helping at the break.
- 3. Claudia Grafton has been attending classes at Bayland Park Community Center. They will be starting a new class in January.
- 4. Neil Miserendino reported that the Christmas Party and the Yearbook are doing well. Tonight is the last night to buy a ticket for the party in person. You may call by Friday, December 3 if you need to wait until later. The party is Sunday, December 19 at 5:30 p.m. The cost of the tickets is \$12.00 per person.
- 5. Mary Anne Clingan, a member of the Society passed away recently. (She passed away on Monday, November 8, 2004 after battling endometrial cancer.)
- Shirley Lindquist talked about the Freeman Library exhibit that the Society will have for the month of March. There are four segments that measure 12' x 8' x 3'. We will be collecting items for the display at the meeting on February 27, 2005. We need scrapbooks, dolls, heirlooms, memorabilia, etc. We have a sign-up sheet.
- 7. Susie Ganch, Quarterly Editor, is seeking information on how the Society's members came to Texas. Susie needs our help with articles for the Quarterly.
- 8. The Clayton Library Trips are listed in the newsletter. Ron stated that if you sign up for a trip, please be sure that you attend. We need to have 9 people to reserve a bus. (The next trips are January 26 and February 16. There are sign up sheets in the back of the room.)
- 9. There is information about the Society on the website. Please take time to look at it.
- 10. There is a sign up sheet for people to bring food to the January meeting at the serving table
- 11. People who brought food to this meeting are: Alice Braud Jones, Dick Warren, Dorsey Kastetter, Patsy McCall, and Marie Krnavek.

12. We had the following visitors at the meeting: La Beth Pondish, Rich Cline, Sandra Scott, Mary Ellen Brennan, and Ron & Irene Smith.

We adjourned for the speaker and then the refreshments. Dick Warren introduced Gay E. Carter who spoke on "Follow the Yellow Brick Road: Tools for Planning a Successful Research Trip. Gay Carter is the Reference/Documents Librarian at the Alfred R. Neumann Library, University of Houston at Clear Lake.

Respectfully submitted,

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