## Bay Area Genealogical Society Meeting Minutes Friday, October 24, 2008

President Resa Hennings called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Jeanine Lawrence explained that because of the expense, we don't have pot luck suppers anymore. We have expenses with set up fees and clean up after the meetings. Resa added that in the recent questionnaire of BAGS members, 61% of those responding members felt the suppers were not necessary, but that we can always go back to them if we desire to do so.

Jeanine read from Psalms 57:1-3 and led us in a prayer.

Lewis Jarman, Sergeant-at-Arms led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

Resa installed Lynn Finger as Corresponding Secretary and Mary Martin as Recording Secretary. Resa recognized Melodey Hauch, Quarterly Editor; Susie Ganch, Historian; and Lewis Jarman, Sergeant-at-Arms.

Resa recognized all the other officers: Alice Braud-Jones, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President; Claudia Grafton, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President; Tina Chatham, Treasurer; Tammy Frey, Registrar. Resa recognized all of the committee chairmen: Cookbook Committee Chairman, Paula Sinning; County Coordinator, Mary Martin; E-mail Chairman, Neil Miserendino; Hospitality Chairman, Leslee Fehlman; Meeting Room Chairman, Jeanine Lawrence; Newsletter Editor, Kim Zrubek; Newsletter Distribution; Shirley Robbins; Yearbook Editor, Neil Miserendino; Publicity Chairman, Christina Terrell; Telephone Committee Chairman, Connie Ogden; Webmaster, Linda Carrington; Welcoming Committee, Diane Kropp; Photographers, Doug Wilson and Neil Miserendino; Scholarship Committee Chairman, Kathryn Morrow.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Judy Henderson, President of the Bluebonnet Branch, Daughter of the Republic of Texas announced a program on Military Research for WWI, WWII, Korean War, Vietnam War, Civil War, and the Revolutionary War at The Galloway School in Friendswood on Saturday, February 28, 2009. The cost will be \$35.00 per person. The time will be from 9:00 to 3:00 p.m. Registration is at 8:30 a.m. Registration is limited to 60 people. Lynna Kay Shuffield, Genealogist will be the speaker. Call Judy at 281-482-7888 or e-mail her at <a href="judy39@hal-pc.org">judy39@hal-pc.org</a>. There was a handout with a registration form passed out at the meeting. Help us raise money and come.
- 2. We have a new status with the IRS. We are now a 501(c) (3) organization.
- 3. The "Holiday Party" will be in the Great Room at 7:00 on November 21st. We will have appetizers, desserts and visit with each other.
- 4. A sheet was also passed around for you to write your "Hurricane Ike" anthology. What happened to you? Susie Ganch will put these together in book form.
- 5. The Society meetings start at 7:00, but you can get there at 6:30 and visit and take care of any business that you need to do.
- 6. Dick Warren, former Vice-President of BAGS lost his wife Glenda Warren on October 17. A "Celebration of her Life" will be held at 4:00 p.m. on October 31st at the Unity Church of the Bay Area on Highway 3.

- 7. Judy *Henderson* announced that Mary Pearson, Charter Member of BAGS had lost her son a few days before Dick lost his wife. Judy also talked about a "Traveling Trunk" that is taken to schools. It is a borrowed trunk that will do 13 classes in 3 weeks.
- 8. The Beginning Genealogy Class for October 4 was cancelled, and it will be rescheduled later.
- 9. The BAGS Cookbooks are for sale at \$15.00 each in the back of the room. They make great gifts.
- 10. The BAGS dues are due. This is the last night that you can pay your dues and have your name in the "Yearbook". The dues can also be mailed to the post office box. The deadline is October 31st.
- 11. The "BAGS" bags are for sale at \$20.00 each in the back of the room. They make great gifts, too.
- 12. The new "Quarterly" is in the back of the room. Pick up your copy tonight. This is a very special issue of the "Quarterly" because it is Susie's last one. Susie Ganch was recognized for editing 16 issues of the "Quarterly".
- 13. The BAGS display is up at the Freeman Library. It will be taken down on October 31st. The Friends of Freeman Library named the new library's great room after Marge Jacobson, a volunteer of some 40 years who also served as President of the Friends. She passed away in 2007. BAGS member Rosanne Frazier was asked to paint Mrs. Jacobson's portrait. During the recent room-naming ceremony the beautiful portrait was unveiled.
- 14. The Clayton Library Friends will be meeting on Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at the Jungman Library at 10:15.
- 15. The next trip to the Clayton Library is Wednesday, November 5. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the room.
- 16. BAGS will not have a meeting in December.

Alice Braud-Jones introduced the speaker, Betty Crockford who spoke on "Butch and Sundance – The Real Story with Outlaw Genealogy".

Resa recognized the visitors at the meeting: Shirley Hamilton, Walena Medlin, Joyce Hermann, Betty Crockford, Victoria Finger, Richard & Jan Alexander, and Dora Richardson.

Resa thanked everyone who put donations in the BAGS basket.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Leonard Martin Recording Secretary