

Bay Area Genealogical Society
General Meeting Minutes
Friday, July 26, 2013

President Bill Mayo called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. BAGS will be sponsoring a seminar featuring John Colletta October 12, 2013 at UBC. Sign Ups are being taken by the Registrar in the room or you can mail in the form from the newsletter. Sign up now to get early registration.
2. The new BAGS Quarterly Editor is Deborah Cole effective October 1, 2013.
3. The next BAGS trip to the Clayton Library is scheduled for Thursday, August 22.
4. The August 30 General Meeting will include the Election of Officers, a “Pot Luck” Dinner and the “Show and Tell” session. Please sign up for the “Show and Tell” in advance if possible.
5. The election of officers is scheduled for August 30, 2013 at the next General Meeting. Nominating Committee Chair, Shirley Lindquist, announced the slate of officers and invited the candidates to give a statement of qualifications. The slate of officers presented by the Nominating Committee includes the following:
 - PRESIDENT ---Shirley Lindquist
 - 1st VICE-PRESIDENT --- Melodey Hauch
 - 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT --- Barbara Moore
 - RECORDING SECRETARY - Deborah Gammon
 - CORRESPONDING SECRETARY --- Annette Bowen
 - TREASURER --- Loren Martin
 - REGISTRAR --- Marie Krnavcek
6. BAGS library display is moving this week to the Freeman Library. Polly Swerdlin is seeking submissions for the display.

SPEAKER:

2nd Vice President Alice Braud-Jones introduced the speaker, Greg Boyd of Arphax Publishing. Greg gave some background about himself and his company that has published 510 books in the Family Map series. The books provide maps of the first landowners in the public land states. Greg then provided a live demonstration of the HistoryGeo.com website and the First Landowners Project. Greg has put all of the maps from the books online into one single interactive map containing over 7 million land owners spread out among 16 of the 23 public land states and Texas. He demonstrated several features of his website. He referred the audience to the Utube videos he has produced which demonstrate further how to use HistoryGeo.com.

Alice Braud-Jones thanked Greg Boyd for his presentation and presented him with a BAGS padfolio.

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS:

Bill Mayo introduced the visitors that had signed the roster and several had already joined BAGS.

CLOSING:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nick Cimino

Recording Secretary