March 27, 2015 BAGS General Meeting Minutes

President, Shirley Lindquist called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Shirley led the pledges to the United States Flag and the State of Texas Five guests were introduced by Shirley Lindquist and welcomed by all. The Clayton Library Bus trip was announced. The next trip will be April 16 on Thursday. The bus departs from the Clear Lake Recreation Center, 16511 Diana at 9:15 a.m. Loren Martin announced that the sign up sheet is in the back of the room.

Melodey Hauch announced that the BAGS Journal is new and ready for pick up by members at the back of the room.

Patsy Chappelear announced that the Yearbook and the insert for the yearbook are ready for pick up by members at the back of the room.

Nick Cimino gave an update on the Special Interest Group meetings.

We have a change of venue from Friendswood Library to Friendswood Activity Building, 416 Morningside Drive, Friendswood TX. The time is 2:00 p.m. The speaker at the April 9th meeting is Irene Walters of Clayton Library. The subject will be using newspapers for genealogical research. All are welcome.

He was very pleased that our guests tonight were visitors who had attended the BAGS German Genealogy SIG.

Nick stressed that all should be using Clayton Library as much as possible and that it is a great resource.

David Zwahr announced a meeting upcoming Saturday, March 28th at Baytown with the DAR and SAR. Lynna Kay will be the DAR presenter and he will be the SAR presenter. It is in co-ordination with the LDS church. It will run from 2:30 until 4 p.m.

There was an announcement from the floor to wish Bob Wegner, Sr. a Happy Birthday.

Deborah Gammon announced the Fairview Cemetery Benefit event to be held April 12th at 1 p.m. until 6 p.m. in League Park by the Railroad Tracks. She and Melodey Hauch will be giving Fairview Cemetery Tours.

Bill Mayo announced that he had his camera and would like to get pictures to update the Yearbook.

Kim Zrubek announced the April 9th meeting in Friendswood on Beginning Genealogy as Nick had said.

Kim Zrubek introduced the speaker for the evening, Ms. Jeannette Piecznski. She presented "A Harvest of Land is a Bounty of Records" Participants were given a Syllabus on the subject which included Types of Land Records, Grants, How to read a survey, searching online patents, where to find these records and what can be learned from these records.

Ms. Piecznski had a short question and answer period. Kim presented her with a BAGS padfolio.

The meeting was adjourned at 8 p.m. by President, Shirley Lindquist.

Respectively submitted,

Deborah C. Gammon