

TO: All Members of the El Dorado Hills Genealogical Society (EDHGS)

SUBJECT: Minutes of the El Dorado Hills Genealogical Society Meeting of July 19, 2017.

President Monique Laughlin convened the meeting at 6:16 p.m. in the Community Room of the El Dorado Hills Branch Public Library.

After a brief welcome, Monique introduced tonight's speaker, Gena Philibert-Ortega.

Gena gave a wonderful presentation on "Finding Images to Tell the Story of Your Ancestor's Life". She shared that having images creates much more interest for people hearing about your genealogy. She talked briefly about copyright issues. She listed many libraries, archives and databases where images can be located. She also talked about postcard collections and maps. It was a great subject that was well received by those in attendance.

Monique thanked Gena for all of the wonderful information that she shared.

The EDHGS sign-in sheet showed thirteen members in attendance: Gwynn Akin, Colleen Allen, John C. Bronaugh, Janet Brown, Barbara Cannaday, Catherine Graham, Phillip Gray, Phil Hendricks, Walt Huff, Pat Keegan, Marcia Kestner, Monique Laughlin, and Mike West.

There were no guests.

The Draft Minutes of the EDHGS Members' Regular Meetings of June 21<sup>st</sup> that were sent to the membership on July 2<sup>nd</sup> were approved unanimously by the members present.

Phil Hendricks reported that the balance on June 1, 2017 was \$7,699.34 with total receipts of \$83.69, total disbursements of \$200.00, for an ending balance of \$7,583.03 on June 30, 2017.

Colleen Allen collected the recycling for Leona Sunseri this month.

Monique announced several upcoming seminars of interest: a Family History Library Seminar in Placerville July 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>; Digging For Your Roots in Nevada County on August 19<sup>th</sup>, and the FGS seminar in Pennsylvania August 30<sup>th</sup> through September 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Monique also shared that the El Dorado County Library has many books that can be found by searching under "genealogy" on their website. There are e-books available as well.

Monique announced that a Member Survey will be mailed out to the membership shortly.

She also shared that the Family History Library will discontinue its microfilm rental program on August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Catherine Graham shared that your September speaker, Denise Dam, will do a small case study on two of our member's veterans. Those interested should submit their information to Catherine. This will be incorporated into the September meeting.

Monique announced that Ancestry.com is now required those who submit a DNA sample to set up a free guest account.

With no other old or new business, Gwynn Akin drew the name of the winner of the July Book Bucket. Phil Gray's name was drawn. He immediately choose "Census Substitutes and State Census Records, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Volume 3" as his selection.

Monique welcomed everyone back for next month's meeting on August 16<sup>th</sup> when Thomas MacEntee will speak to us on "Successful Collateral and Cluster Searching" via live webinar.

Monique adjourned the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Colleen Allen, EDHGS Secretary