

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

SUBJECT: Minutes of the El Dorado Hills Genealogical Society Meeting of
March 15, 2017.

President Monique Laughlin convened the meeting at 6:15 p.m. in the Community Room of the El Dorado Hills Branch Public Library.

After a brief welcome, Monique introduced tonight's speaker, Lisa Louise Cooke.

Lisa spoke to us via live webinar from Texas. Her subject was "Google Earth for Genealogy." She taught us how to download Google Earth Pro and went on to explain the features of the program, including how to maneuver through the Search Panel, Places Panel and Layers Panel on the menu. She demonstrated how she used Google Earth to locate the exact place a photograph she had in her personal collection had been taken. She showed us how to overlay historic maps onto current maps. She also shared a Family History Tour that she created on Google Earth that included overhead map pictures, street view pictures as well as personal pictures and documents that she inserted. It was a very interesting topic and was well received by the membership. She concluded with a few questions from our group.

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

The EDHGS sign-in sheet showed 20 members in attendance: Colleen Allen, Kathleen Binion, John C. Bronaugh, Judy Bujold, Barbara Cannaday, Barbara Fary, Connie Frost, Gary Frost, Phillip Gray, Barbara Hannover, Walt Huff, Astarra Laughlin, Monique Laughlin, Shirley Martin, Carol McGraw, Marie Reale, Ruth Self, Leona Sunseri, Afton Tuveson, and Mike West.

There were no guests.

The Draft Minutes of the EDHGS Members' Regular Meeting of February 15th that were sent to the membership on February 17th were approved unanimously by the members present, after Phil Gray motioned for approval and Leona Sunseri seconded.

Colleen Allen gave the Treasurers' Report and stated that the balance on February 1, 2017 was \$7,334.15 with total receipts of \$211.35, total disbursements of \$404.56, for an ending balance of \$7,140.94 on February 28, 2017. Some financial highlights for the month included bringing in \$37.00 from the Book Bucket, \$34.32 from recycling and receiving our first payment from Amazon Smile for \$13.87.

Leona Sunseri spoke briefly about the recycling program, reminding members of which items she can turn in and to please remove the caps from plastic bottles..

Colleen spoke about the upcoming bus trip to the Sutro Library on Wednesday, March 22nd. The membership had been previously notified by email about this trip. So far Colleen Allen, John Bronaugh and Phil Gray have signed up to go. This annual trip is sponsored by the Genealogical Association of Sacramento. Colleen and Phil talked briefly about the Sutro Library and what resources are available there. Colleen mentioned that there are still a few seats available on the bus for additional people and to please speak to her after the meeting for more details.

Monique added that the Genealogical Association of Sacramento was also putting together a trip to Salt Lake City to visit the Family History Library. The trip will be April 23rd through 30th.

Monique talked about Clarksville Day which will be held this year on May 6th from 10:00 till 3:00. Our society will have a booth there are we're looking for volunteers to help in the booth. We'll have two sessions, 9:30-12:30 and 12:30-3:30. Currently, Monique Laughlin and Leona Sunseri are planning on working the early session, and Colleen Allen and Phil Gray are planning on working the later session. More volunteers would be appreciated.

Monique spoke about the Root Cellar Spring Seminar on May 6th. More details can be found at www.rootcellar.org. She also talked about the 48th Annual Southern California Jamboree, which will be held June 8th through 11th in Burbank. More information on that event can be found at www.genealogyjamboree.com.

Monique shared that our society received a request for help from a woman named Michelle from Crandon, Wisconsin via our public Facebook page. She was interested in some probate records that were filed in Placerville. Monique sent an email to the membership to look for a volunteer to help with this request. Leona Sunseri accepted the job and she shared with the membership about going to the courthouse in Placerville and ordering the probate records. She also went to the County Clerk and obtained the paperwork necessary for the woman to order a death certificate. She has mailed all of this off to Wisconsin!

Monique then asked member Barbara Fary to draw the winning name for this month's "Book Bucket". She drew Mike West's name. Mike will now get to pick a genealogical book of his choice, and once the book is received, he will be able to bring it home for first thirty days. After that it will be submitted to the EDH Branch Library for placement in our permanent collection.

Ruth Self brought back two books that she had received as a past two time winner. She spoke briefly about the two books which will now be added to the Library. They were "Trans-Allegheny Pioneers (West Virginia & Ohio): Historical Sketches of the First White Settlers West of the Alleghenies, 1748 and After" and "Early Families of Herkimer County, New York: Descendants of the Burnetsfield Palatines".

Monique welcomed everyone to return next month on April 19, 2017 to hear Martha Teeter speak on “British Roots: Four Colonial Migrations”.

The President adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

Colleen Allen, EDHGS Secretary