

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

SUBJECT: **APPROVED** Minutes of the El Dorado Hills Genealogical Society Meeting of September 16, 2015.

President Trevor Thomas convened the meeting at 6:18 p.m. in the Community Room of the El Dorado Hills Branch Public Library.

The EDHGS sign-in sheet showed 18 members in attendance: Dr. Gwynn Akin, Colleen Allen, Janet J. Brown, Barbara Cannaday, Phil Governor, Catherine Graham, Phillip Gray, Philip G. Hendricks, Astarra Laughlin, Monique Laughlin, Karen Parsons, Karen Rain, Marie Reale, Cameron Stumpf, Marcia Stumpf, Leona Sunseri, Trevor Thomas and Georgia Viersen.

There was one guest: Mary Lee Gilliland from the Roots and Gold Dust Genealogical Society in Placerville, CA.

Leona Sunseri welcomed Mary Lee.

The Draft Minutes of the EDHGS Members' Regular Meeting of August 19, 2015 which were sent to the membership on September 15, 2015, were approved unanimously by the Members present. Moved by Phil Governor; seconded by Karen Rain.

The Treasurer's Report for August 2015 showed a beginning balance on August 1, 2015 of \$7,114.24 with Receipts of \$257.52, Disbursements of \$105.48 and an ending balance on August 31, 2015 of \$7,266.28.

Colleen reported that our recycling efforts for the month of August equaled \$84.35 (our biggest total ever!).

Leona made an announcement regarding the recycling. The place where she take the bottles and cans will not take bottles which have lids on them so she is asking everyone to please remove the bottle caps before turning the items over to her. Karen will include this message in the meeting reminder each month.

A survey was passed around to the members present asking what names, places, etc. the members were researching.

October 3rd will be the 5th annual "Sacramento Archives Crawl" which includes:

California State Archives (1020 "O" Street)

California State University, Sacramento SAA Student Chapter
Caltrans Transportation Library & History Center
El Dorado County Historical Museum
Lavender Library, Archive, and Cultural Exchange
Marshall Gold Discovery State Historic Park, Gold Rush Research Library

Root Cellar – Sacramento Genealogical Society Library
Sacramento Historic City Cemetery

California State Library (900 “N” Street)

California State Parks Archives
California State Parks, Photographic Archives
Placer County Museums Archives & Research Center
University of California, Davis

Center for Sacramento History (551 Sequoia Pacific Blvd.)

Congregation B’nai Israel Archives
Sacramento City College Archives
Sacramento River Delta Historical Society
Yolo County Archives

Sacramento Public Library, Sacramento Room (828 “I” Street)

California State Railroad Museum Library
California State University, Sacramento
Welga! Filipino American Labor Archives

This will all be happening from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. For more information,
Please see www.sacarchivescrawl.blogspot.com

This year you will see artifacts from:

Mather and McClellan Air Force Bases (Sacramento Public Library)
The Panama-Pacific International Exposition of 1915 (State Archives)
Folsom Powerhouse (California State Library)

There will be a free shuttle bus taking visitors to each archives, too!

With no other Old or New Business to discuss, our attention was turned to Phil Gray who introduced tonight’s speaker, Marian Kile whose topic is **“Writing and Publishing Your Family History”**.

Ms. Kile gave a very comprehensive presentation of how to get your amazing family story down on paper. Highlights were “Keys to Writing Personal Family Stories”, “Understanding the Self-Publishing Process” as well as the “Process for Updating the Book”. She also provided a well-written hand-out which covers much of what the first-time publisher would need to know.

Trevor thanked Ms. Kile for all the wonderful information she shared with us this evening.

Trevor then asked Ms. Kile to draw the winning name for this month’s “Book Bucket”.

The speaker drew Michele Forrest's name. She will now get to pick a genealogical book of her choice and will be able to take it home for 30 days after which it will be added to our permanent collection at the EDH Branch Library.

Last month's winner was Karen Rain.

Colleen welcomed everyone to return next month on October 21, 2015 to hear Elena Smith speak on **Genealogical Resources in the California History Room of the State Library.**

Be sure and mark your calendars for November 18th for our annual Year End Potluck and Member Share (Your Family's Famous People).

The President adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Karen Parsons,
EDHGS Secretary