

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

SUBJECT: **DRAFT** Minutes of the El Dorado Hills Genealogical Society's Regular Meeting of April 15, 2015.

President Trevor Thomas convened the meeting at 6:19 p.m. in the Community Room of the El Dorado Hills Branch Public Library.

The EDHGS sign-in sheet showed 20 members in attendance: Dr. Gwynn Akin, Colleen Allen, John C. Bronaugh, Michele Forrest, Phil Governor, Phillip Gray, Philip G. Hendricks, Astarra Laughlin, Monique Laughlin, Vince Militello, Karen Parsons, Melinda Peak, Karen Rain, Diane Rosales, Ruth Self, Cameron Stumpf, Leona M. Sunseri, Douglas Thayne, Trevor Thomas and Georgia Viersen.

There was one guest, Sadie Chambers who also attended a past Meeting. Trevor welcomed Sadie back this evening.

Colleen Allen shared an update on our Prison Transcription Project. Gwynn Akin asked who will maintain the items submitted to FindAGrave.

Colleen was pleased to announce that our recycling in March brought in \$30.38 and our Book Bucket winner in March was Ruth Self who selected "Early Ohio Settlers, Purchasers of Land in East (and South) Ohio, 1800 - 1840", which will be hers to use for research for the next thirty days before it becomes part of our permanent collection at the EDHGS Library.

Trevor then took time to explain the Book Bucket for those who had not Participated in it before.

Melinda Peak announced that the Clarksville Historical Society will be inviting students from El Dorado Hills' Oak Ridge High School who will present topics of interest. The date for that is April 29th in the Community Room of the El Dorado Hills Branch Public Library.

Treasurer's Report: The balance on March 1, 2015 was \$7,320.25 with total receipts of \$135.56, total disbursements of \$220.30, and an ending balance of \$7,235.51 on March 31, 2015.

With no other Old or New Business to discuss, Trevor turned our attention to Phil Gray who introduced tonight's speaker, Cheryl Anne Stapp, speaking on "Women in the Gold Rush". Ms. Stapp is a local writer from Elk Grove who has researched Gold Rush-era women in

the Sacramento area. She has written three books and one of them was purchased for the El Dorado Hills Branch Public Library for our permanent collection.

In her presentation this evening, she told the stories of six different women and their contributions to the City of Sacramento during the middle 1800s, when gold was discovered and California was THE place to be.

Trevor thanked Ms. Stapp for her interesting stories of this period in history.

Trevor then asked Ms. Stapp to draw tonight's Book Bucket winner. The winner was Dr. Gwynn Akin.

Phil invited everyone to return next month at which time our Membership will share stories of "Black Sheep" or criminals in their Family Tree.

The Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Karen Parsons,
Secretary