

# GENEALOGICAL & HISTORICAL COUNCIL OF SACRAMENTO VALLEY

## GENERAL MEETING

November 14, 2009

The general meeting of the Genealogical & Historical Council of Sacramento Valley was held November 14, 2009 at the Sacramento Family History Center.

Barbara Leak, President, called the meeting to order at 10:05. There were 15 present including the following officers: President, Barbara Leak, Secretary, Judy Williams, Treasurer, Carol Byers.

The agenda was distributed and the following items were added under New Business:

- c. New book
- d. Website
- e. Technology

Minutes of September 12, 2009 were approved as read.

### TREASURER'S REPORT – CAROL BYERS

\$5,000 was deposited in Wells Fargo when the account was opened. Current balance is \$5,380.16, income was \$1,108, and expenses were \$727.84.

### PRESIDENT'S REPORT – BARBARA LEAK

- a. Research Facility Cards – there are still 8 left, it was decided not to reprint at this time.
- b. Website – Speakers Directory information needs to be updated as well as the calendar.
- c. Long Range Calendar – the following changes were made:
  - African American Seminar – March 13
  - Sacramento German Genealogical Society - change from April 24 to April 17
  - Barbara announced that changes to the calendar can be made at the website.
- d. Family History Day – Due to lack of participation on the Planning Committee it has been decided not to have a Family History Day until 2011. Discussion followed and suggestions were made to increase volunteers. To be discussed with individual groups and brought up at the Council Meeting in January.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. Archival Repository Committee - Gwen Myers reported on the Sacramento Historical Society Consortium Meeting.
- b. Speakers' Directory – discussed putting it on the website, agreed it wasn't a good idea. Barbara has 40 Directories available for \$8. each, CD's will be available at the next meeting.
- c. Dr. Bob announced he is trying to list all the genealogical societies at [sachistoricalsociety.org](http://sachistoricalsociety.org), notify him of any changes or additions.
- d. Research Guide – In January we'll discuss what is available and what is needed for a Research Guide.
- e. Beth Daugherty reported there is a proposal in the works for the GAS collection to be given to the Sacramento Library. She suggested other organizations donate to Sacramento Central Library.

### NEW BUSINESS

- a. Council Meeting dates for 2010 – Sacramento Family History Center African American Seminar will be on March 13, therefore the March Meeting will be moved up to March 6.

Meetings for the year will be January 9, March 6, May 8, July 10, September 11 and November 13.

- b. Appointment of a Nominating Committee – it was agreed to by-pass a formal committee, the following will serve in 2010: President – Barbara Leak, Vice President – Gwen Myers, Secretary – Judy Williams, Treasurer – Carol Byers.
- c. New book – *Pekham Family* was donated to the Council, it was agreed to donate the book to the Sacramento Family History Center.
- d. New Technology – Dr. Bob demonstrated the new iPhone and pointed out how beneficial the many apps can be, the iPod touch will do almost anything. It can be used for doing genealogy research.
- e. California Association of Museums will be having a 3-day workshop, let him know if you are interested.
- f. The Consortium is setting up procedures to keep old buildings from being torn down.
- g. California History Day will be March 13 – students' grades 6-8 and 9-12 will enter projects, grades 4-5 will submit posters, suggest best use of genealogical resources .
- h. New Helvetia Cemetery – 2 people are doing transcriptions, will combine database.
- i. City Cemetery – tour DVD is available, walking tours can be arranged.
- j. Gwen moved that we donate \$50. to the History Day Project linked to project best using genealogical resources. Amended - for best use of genealogical resources, documents, website, posters, exhibits, performances, donate \$50. Motion carried. Need 3-4 judges from 9:00 to 1:00, Carol and Gwen volunteered, should have more judges.

#### ORGANIZATION REPORTS

- Jerry Goggel announced the January newsletter will be electronic.
- Mort Rumberg, announced upcoming program.
- Sandy announced upcoming program. They are working on pedigree charts on-line. Seminar is coming up March 27. They are coordinating members going to NGS Conference. Roseville is doing a cookbook as a fundraiser.
- Linda Lucky reported there were over 200 in attendance at the seminar. Classes are continuing every Wednesday night, needs recommendation for speakers for African American Seminar. Karen Massey from Channel 10 will be a speaker.
- Robert Noyes reported that the Mission Oaks meeting in October had good attendance.
- Beth Daugherty left fliers for Central Library Lectures.
- Donna Young reported Nevada County will have electronic newsletter in January. Ron Young will be president next year. They will have a study group in the daytime.
- Carol Byers reported on GAS upcoming programs. Sacramento German Society will have a table at the NGS Conference.
- Gwen announced upcoming programs for Sun City Roseville. She also recommended societies look up tax filing status at [ag.ca.gov/charities](http://ag.ca.gov/charities)
- Judy Williams announced upcoming meeting.

It was decided to post the minutes on the website a week before upcoming meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 12:25. Next meeting will be January 9, 2010 at the Sacramento FHC.

Judy Williams,  
Secretary