



MEETING MINUTES

April 17 2019

Attendance: 12

Guests: 2

PROGRAM

What is a lineage society and why should you consider joining one?

By Jacquie Beveridge

Jacquie gave a detailed description of several societies and the benefits of joining them.

The handouts are on the Siuslaw Genealogical Society blog.

BREAK: Refreshments by Pat Rongey and drawing by Karen Childs

BUSINESS MEETING

President Mike Allen called the business meeting to order at 08:04 pm

Mike thanked Deb Lobey for the nice memorial to Jim Barrett on our blog.

SECRETARY'S REPORT : Debby Wright

After a correction of "July" Potluck to "August" Potluck, the March Minutes were unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT : Merilee Mulvey

Deposit: March meeting raffle \$ 31.00

Withdrawal: WordPress.com payment for web page \$ 18.00

Checking account ending balance for March 2019 \$1,841.68 with one outstanding check.

Savings account ending balance for March 2019 \$2,000.18

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sub Committee to Rewrite the Bylaws and Standing Rules: Merilee Mulvey(Chairperson), Lea Rudd, Pat Miller and Brenda Gilmer(technical advisor).

A finalized version of the ByLaws was presented for approval. Jacquie Beveridge made the motion to approve, June Braun seconded and it was unanimously approved.

The committee is now working on updating The Standing Rules. The old Standing rules have been archived for historical information and a complete new Standing Rule Document is being prepared that will be more appropriate for our current needs. Some of the old document will be incorporated in an informational sheet that can be displayed at events and included in new member packets. The committee will also update our brochure.

August Potluck: Debby W(Chairperson), Deb L, Lea and Pat R.

This years theme "Italian Dinner". The Elks Lodge RV Park is already reserved for August 21, 2019 and the deposit carried over from last year. We will ask that Joe make a reservation by mid September of this year (2019), for Aug. 19, 2020.

Brick Wall Support: Jacquie(Chairperson), Mary, Mike, and Debby W

Jacquie to schedule meeting. Pat R suggested we have volunteers at an informational table in the entry hall of the library to make the public aware of the support our group offers.



OLD BUSINESS

Mike asked again that members consider forming a Promotion and Advertising sub-committee to stimulate interest in using our resources and recruiting new members. Jacquie has been submitting Press Releases about our monthly speakers to Social media, newspapers and radio. Maybe have a table at Senior Expo Sept. 24th? Possibly share a table with DAR? Come up with possible handouts. Pat R asked for ideas for a logo to be made into a sticker for our vehicles. The executive committee decided joining the Chamber was not cost effective.

NEW BUSINESS

A nomination committee needs to be formed for next months nominations. Lea volunteered to lead the effort. We will announce a slate at the May Meeting.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS:

May: Mary and Merilee will do a presentation on "The Purple Heart".

June: Meta Ann Steele, from The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, Coos Bay, will present "Researching on Location".

July: Jacquie and Merilee will present "Symbols Found on Headstones".

September: The president of the Siuslaw Pioneer Museum will discuss the resources available for genealogical research at the Museum.

Tentative future programs:

Mike's suggestion for Oct is a program consisting of three shorts titled "What I Found in Newspapers", Mike, Merilee and Mary volunteered to participate.

Possible theme for next year could be "Historical Persons/Families or Buildings of Florence".

Questions and SHARING

The June meeting will be held in the Siuslaw room due to a scheduling conflict.

DNA Success stories: Pat R just solved her 20th adoption case. Jacquie just helped her ½ sister find her child given up for adoption, and June helped her adopted daughter find her ½ sister.

Mike used Ancestry's new beta feature "ThruLines" to confirm his Great Great Grandfather.

Pat R is re-publishing a book "Lower Lake Creek" about the Deadwood area for The Siuslaw Pioneer Museum. She has also finished translating a book from her Canadian line "Guibord Family History" from French into English. (Includes names: Trepanier and Martin).

GUESTS

Topics of interest among our guests:

Researching in Benton Harbor Michigan. Learning more about how to use Ancestry.com.

The meeting adjourned at 09:01 pm