

Respectfully submitted by Marie Navarro, Secretary

President Sandra Crowley called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.

The minutes from the February meeting were approved, as posted both on the Website, and at the meeting.

Attendees: 40 members, and 4 visitors

Linda Lane, Treasurer, reported that all outstanding bills had been paid, and our current balances were:

\$ 67,184.06 in Checking

\$100,090.32 in Savings

Vice President, Jean Larson, reminded the membership that the deadline for early registration to the Debbie Parker Wayne Spring Lecture ends at midnight today. Anyone interested may register today after the meeting, or online before Midnight.

The Summer Symposium will be held on August 7th and 8th, and will be on researching in Texas. There will be speakers from the Portal to Texas History, Fort Worth NARA, the General Land Office, and The DPL Texas/Dallas History Department.

The Fall Lecture will be held on October 24th. The speaker will be Michael Lacopo. Jean encouraged members to visit his extremely interesting blog: Hoosier Daddy (<http://roots4u.blogspot.com/>). Sandra Crowley announced that there would be an extended hours research at the library, from 5:00 to 10:00 PM. The extended hours will only be available to attendees of the symposium. She also said that we are hoping the Book Scanner would be set up and ready to go by then; however that will depend on the City of Dallas.

Sandra Crowley said there are several volunteer positions available. They will be listed in our eBlasts, and newsletter. Currently we have an urgent need for volunteers to be on the Nomination Committee for the election of DGS Board members. Our Bylaws require that the committee consist of two Board members, and three members-at-large. Jean Larson, and Barbara Ware have volunteered from the Board, and we have one member at large. We need two more members to complete the committee.

Carolyn Davis said a flyer was available regarding the DGS 2015 Writing Contest. Entries must be submitted by April 30th. Awards will be: 1st place \$500, 2nd place \$300, and 3rd place \$150. The winning entries will be published in

Pegasus. Carolyn also said that Pegasus was now an award winning publication, having won a 1st place award for Society journals, presented to us by the Texas State Genealogical Society

The DPL is offering a free class for using Fold3. The class is conducted by Ari Wilkins. You can register at Genealogy desk on the 8th floor, or online at the DGS website.

Tony Hanson said that the members needed to be thinking of names to submit to the Nominating Committee. The Executive Committee, having served the maximum time allowed, will be a complete turnover.

The speaker for the April 4th meeting will be Connie Gray, who will make a presentation regarding the history and regulations of adoptions. He then introduced today's speaker:

Presentation by Glenn Kinkade: "Colonial New England Research Using Town Records Wisely".

Tony Hanson adjourned the meeting at 12:10 pm.