

RANDOLPH CO. GEN. SOCIETY
NEWSLETTER
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Twelve members attended our June meeting, two of our officers were absent because of family health issues. It was a beautiful evening, we had a nice rain the day before, for which we are thankful, we are hoping for more. The wheat is harvested now, but the corn and beans really need the moisture.

The meeting was called to order, we all joined in the pledge to our flag, the usual reports were given and approved. Our insurance is due and so we voted to renew the policy as is—the rent is due, also, and again we voted to do as in the past, pay for the upcoming six months.

Robert Morrow shared with us about his success in finding where his ancestral grandmother was buried and her name, which he hadn't known before.

Carolyn Dorf shared with us about the ceremony the D.A.R. had given at the grave of Susannah Gault McCormack, at Union Cemetery, Sparta, IL, recently. She also gave a copy of the Gault History to our library.

We've had more researchers in lately, with the warmer weather and people on vacation. Dennis Rohlfing and wife were here from Houston, Texas, and he expressed his thanks and appreciation to us for putting his request for research interaction in our newsletter, some months past. He said he received six responses from other people researching the family lines that he researches. So, if any of you would like to get some help or input on the lines you research, send us the information and we will put it in our newsletter for our other members to read and respond to.

We keep busy here at the library. Midge and her helpers, Augie and Leona, have finished putting together Veterans information from obituaries, when they died and where they are buried. Midge has it all typed and putting it together into a book for our library. Now they are clipping articles, of genealogical interest, from old newspapers that a member has given us from the mid 1900's.

June and Janice are winding up the "early marriages" project. Janice has finished getting the information from microfilm—June is still working

on the typing part, and putting it together. Janice is browsing through the microfilm to find something else to put together for our library—she thinks that she will work with early land records.

Lottie collects newspaper clippings of genealogical interest from our current year's county newspapers, that will be put in books and indexed at the end of the year, for our shelves. Virginia just returned from a trip, with a couple of her daughters, to Colorado, to attend her granddaughter's graduation from High School. She's just gotten the June quarterly out and is working on putting together the quarterly for September. If anyone has an article or story to contribute for the quarterly, Virginia would be glad to put it in.

The quilt raffle is still in still in progress—we hope to sell tickets at a couple picnics in our area this summer and then in the early part of September we will draw out the winning ticket.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 10th, at 6:30pm, at the library—our refreshments will be snack items, little sandwiches, veggies, fruit, etc.

We hope you are finding answers in your research of your family lines. If your are coming through southern Illinois on vacation this summer, we hope you will stop by and check out our library—we are told that we have an amazing amount of information. We are here on Mon-Tues-Wed. 9am to 2pm and also on the 3rd Sat. morning each month, 9am-noon. If you are coming from a distance and will be through here at a different time, let us know and we can set up an appointment to meet you here at the library, so that you can do research—that happened recently, when a man from New York flew in for a wedding and asked for a appt. to research. That's why we added the "3rd Sat" morning to our schedule, for the convenience of people who work Mon-Fri. and can't get here then to research.

Have a nice summer!

June James, Pres.
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