

## **GALLATIN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MINUTES**

October 11, 2014, 11:00 a.m.

### **Business meeting:**

President Bonnie Jackson opened the meeting by having new members and guests introduce themselves. There were 24 people in attendance.

Tricia Thompson explained how to access "Western States Marriage Record Index" website in our new 5 minute database spotlight segment.

### **-Secretary's Report:**

Trisha Thompson moved to accept the May minutes. Wanda Hoy seconded, and the motion was approved. Wanda Hoy moved to approve the amended September minutes, Karen Maika seconded, and the motion was approved.

### **-Treasurer's Report:**

Norma Ardeson reported that the society has \$808.87. There will be an audit conducted before the next meeting.

### **-Membership Report:**

Karen Maika reported that there are currently 25 paid members in the society. There was a brief discussion about email address privacy after a request for membership lists to be handed out was made. It was decided that a membership list containing only names and phone numbers would be made available.

### **-Project Manager's Report:**

Tricia Thompson reported that to date 76,998 records have been indexed. An appreciation certificate and gift was given to Lindy Bunch for her outstanding indexing contribution.

### **-Webmaster:**

Jenn Vieth showed possible designs for mugs, bags, and t-shirts displaying the logo for the Gallatin County Genealogical Society. There was some discussion about individuals purchasing these items, as well as providing the mugs as gifts for speakers. Jenn has also set up an account for the society on Facebook. She informed the members that the State Roundup and monthly minutes are available on our website.

### **-State Liaison's Report:**

Carol Elliott reported on the State Conference held in Helena in Sept. 25% of our membership attended the State Conference. The 2015 Conference will be held at the Butte Civic Center.

### **-Old Business:**

Members that attended the State Conference gave some ideas that they brought away from the conference.

The proposed change to the GCGS Bylaws: Article V, "All bills shall be paid by check signed by the President OR the Treasurer". Jeri Devine moved that the Bylaws be changed, Dee Seidel seconded, and the motion was carried.

-Jeri Devine won the door prize, 1 hour of research time with Tricia Thompson

-Upcoming events:

October 25, 10:30 a.m., 100th anniversary Commemoration of the DAR marker honoring Sacajawea at the Sacajawea Inn in Three Forks.

November 1, LDS church, 4 training sessions on genealogy. The sessions start at 10:00 a.m.

Program:

Tricia Thompson, Michelle Westberg, Bonnie Jackson, and Andrew Jackson presented interesting and inspiring ways to commemorate family history. These included the MyCanvas book through Ancestry, Family Cookbooks, a genealogy quilt, and a family photo movie.

The next meeting will be on Saturday, November 8, 2014, at 11:00 a.m. at the Gallatin County Courthouse on Main Street. Carol Elliott will be presenting how to research in Washington, D.C. at the National Archives, the Library of Congress, and the D.A.R. Library.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Gengenbacher, Secretary