

GALLATIN COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MINUTES

April 11, 2015

Program:

The Gallatin County Genealogical Society met in the Small Meeting Room at the Bozeman Public Library at 11:00 a.m. Bonnie Jackson, Society President, presented an overview of what DNA is and how it can enhance your genealogical research. She explained how DNA testing can help you find your relatives and determine your ethnic origins. Following the program a short Business Meeting was held.

Business Meeting:

There were 42 people present at the meeting.

Secretary's Report: Katherine Attebury moved that the minutes from the February meeting be approved. Norma Ardesson seconded, and the motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report: Norma Ardesson reported that the Society has \$885.28 in the Treasury.

Membership Report: Karen Maika reported that there is one new member, bringing the total membership to 46.

Project Manager's Report: Indexing of the wills at the Law and Justice Center is continuing. As of the day of the meeting there are 1750 Wills indexed; 21,377 Voter Registrations; 60,830 Vital Records; 4547 Funeral Home Records; 775 Naturalizations; 9996 Divorces; and 5872 Obituaries. This brings the total number of indexed records to 105,147! Trish Thompson also had month long stacks of Chronicle newspapers for 6 volunteers to take home and index.

State Liaison's Report: Carol Elliott presented advance information about the State Genealogical Conference to be held in September. She updated the group on the First Families project, and said that there will probably be a 5th edition of the book.

Door Prize: One hour of Genetic Counseling provided by Bonnie Jackson was won by Marie Melton.

The meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting will be on Saturday, May 9, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. in the Large Community Room at the Bozeman Public Library. 2015-2016 officer elections will be held.

Respectfully Submitted, Linda Gengenbacher, GCGS Secretary

