

SADDLEBROOKE GENEALOGY CLUB MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 4, 2014

The regular meeting of the SBGC was held in the Coyote Room and was called to order by President Dave Tiefenbach at 1:05 p.m. Dave mentioned some of the tips posted on our website. Ancestry has good search strategies for its members. AARP members get a discount for Ancestry membership, but if you let your membership expire, Ancestry offers an even better price to entice you to come back.

Dave welcomed guests Annette Gunderson and Jerry Morris. The new officers and committee chairs were introduced and recognized.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as posted on the club's website. Treasurer Pat Spencer gave the financial report: beginning balance \$2,077.78, deposits \$790.00; expenses \$185.00, leaving a balance of \$2,682.78. The report will be placed on file. Hod Wells asked to delay the auditor's report until October while he checks on a few items.

President Dave introduced today's speakers, club members who shared their projects and memorabilia. Sharon Scanlon, who recently moved to SaddleBrooke, used My Canvas by Ancestry and Family Tree Maker Mac 3 to produce a beautiful book. Her notes will be posted on our website. Pat Tiefenbach used a Family Search blog by Steve Anderson to organize her life story for her two sons. She printed it herself and had it spiral bound at Office Max. Kay Calvin ran into many brick walls as she researched her Scandinavian families, and shared how she was able to break through them, sometimes in unexpected ways. Carol Sorenson creates living books, based on where, what, who and why. They are three ring binders so that new information can easily be added. Linda Quigg had almost finished a large project when she had a request from her husband's family that has taken her in a different, but stimulating, direction. Chris Nelson told an interesting story of a 1912 circular family tree and how she came to have it. Mary Lou Worthy had treasures and pictures from her father's service in World War I. Virginia Hegseth recommended membership in New England Historic Genealogical Society. Its online webinars, particularly one on writing and publishing your family history, are very helpful.

The October meeting will be held in the west ballroom of Mountain View Clubhouse, due to maintenance at the SaddleBrooke Clubhouse. Our speaker will be Byron Bailer, and his subject is: "The Forgotten War - the War of 1812".

Librarian Patty Burke volunteers at the HOA1 library on Thursday afternoons. Any club member wishing to use our library on those afternoons can contact her. The door prize was won by Charlie Hutchison. There will be a board meeting following this meeting, and any member may attend.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Karcher, Secretary