The Dallas Genealogy Society General Meeting Minutes November 3, 2018

The general meeting of the Dallas Genealogy Society was opened by Todd DeDecker at 11:00. Todd announced that we have just enough to call a quorum for a short business meeting. Minutes of the October 6th general meeting are posted on the door as you entered the room. Asked for corrections or additions? With no discussion the minutes are approved. Caroline Simpson substituted for attendance and quorum confirmation we do have 19 regular attending. Due to the Dallas Bike Rally taking place around the library building, regular members are still coming in while meeting is taking place.

Todd DeDecker read the Treasurer's report. The Financial Report for calendar month of October, 2018, shows that the society had deposits that totaled \$1,417, with payments that totaled \$1,727, for a net decrease in cash of \$310. The balance of cash in banks at the end of October totaled \$157,786. Hearing no objections we will file for audit.

Todd talked about the opportunities for volunteerism; to help make the society stronger and to share your talents.

Vice President, Jim Thornhill gave the seminar update. On April 13, 2019 Michael Locopo will be the spring seminar on methodology. On August 3rd Judy Russell will be speaking on courthouse research. And on October 12th Jen Baldwin will be speaking on, "Finding Unique Records". Our Society will have our awards meeting on December 8, 2018 in the O'Hara room on the 7th floor beginning at 11:00 AM.

We are offering gift certificates for the holiday season. These certificates are good for membership or seminar of their choosing. Introduced how to use the Amazon smile campaign. Login as smile.amazon.com-log in; click on your account and search for Dallas Genealogy Society as your smile charity, this is no cost to you.

SIG group's calendar for 2018 follows: November 15 is DNA, November 17 is African American, November 21 is Jewish, November 24 is brown bag, December 6 is Technology and December 09 is Roots Magic. Check out the DGS website calendar for 2019 special interest events. At the awards luncheon we recognize special talents; nominations are needed. Demonstrates on the DGS website about how to nominate someone.

A special thank you to Mark and Linda Harrison for the pre-meeting snacks. We have a signup sheet for Hospitality time in the future.

Todd introduced today's program, Stephanie Bennett, Unit Manager, Genealogy & History for the Dallas Public Library. The business meeting is adjourned at 11:29 AM.