

SUN CITY VISTOSO GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
REGULAR MEETING, 1 PM, Mar. 12, 2024, Navajo-Hohokam Rooms

President Mary Barr called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM and introduced **speaker Dan Poffenberger, AG** via Zoom. He presented an overview of Irish genealogical research strategies.

There was a short break for refreshments.

There were no guests at today's meeting.

The March minutes are posted online and were approved as submitted.

Treasurer Vicki Scott reported a balance of \$8294.05 and 154 members. Most have renewed their membership.

Committee Reports:

There was no **Display Case** report.

The **Genealogy Photo Tree** will be displaying photos of children.

Library - Andrea Houston reported that library duplicate book sales have brought in \$225.00 plus whatever else sold at today's meeting. The library is now organized. The door code to the genealogy lab changed in March. Contact Vicki Scott for the new code.

Mentoring Program: Holly Gibson is continuing to offer mentoring help to those who need some guidance.

Programs for next year are being planned.

Chairs are still needed for the FTM, Legacy, DAR and DNA **SIGS**. The new Genealogy Research Toolbox chaired by Linda Stufflebean, will meet next Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 10:00 in the Tech Club lab. Topic will be navigating the FamilySearch website.

Old Business:

The subscription to American Ancestors has been renewed. Visit americanancestors.org/events to view the list of free upcoming webinars.

Election of Officers

The following slate of Officers was presented and elected by voice vote. There were no nominations from the floor.

President, Mary Barr
Vice President, Kathie Roskom
Treasurer, Brian Alexander
Secretary, Pam Dage
Director at Large, Darwin Thornton

Bylaws Update:

Kathie Roskom moved and Susan Corsie seconded that the updated bylaws be accepted with one amendment to Article X Section 3c: No unbudgeted expenditures can be made without approval of the Board. Updated bylaws passed by voice vote.

New Business:

None

Announcements:

The May meeting will be on Zoom hosted by American Ancestors. The topic will be 18th Century Pennsylvania Research.

Hidden Gems in State Census Records can be viewed at:

https://vitabrevis.americanancestors.org/hidden-gems-in-state-census-records?utm_campaign=The%20Weekly%20Genealogist%20&utm_medium=email&hsenc=p2ANqtz-97OQXhSUKnjSkS4zBWvRKByF0_KMgZUWDDaD3v9_cCpGcpw_6rGNbfguplX-Y50Bi8UIJE0P-zEmhNfhGyNXBQTbpJfw&hsmi=300913301&utm_content=300913301&utm_source=hs_email

Free webinars for Mayflower research can be viewed at:

<http://thamayflowersociety.org/history/lectures>

The link for the National Archives 2024 Genealogy Series is:

<https://www.archives.gov/calander/genealogy-series/2024>

Guess What I Found – Christine Takerian shared her findings using claudai to possibly break through one of her brick walls. She also shared FamilySearch's new experimental full-text search for U.S. land records and probate. Records that are locked on FamilySearch cannot be viewed in full-text search unless the person is in a FamilySearch Center or the FamilySearch Library in Salt Lake City.

President Mary Barr adjourned the meeting at 2:50 PM.

Linda Stufflebean
Secretary Pro Tem