

WASHINGTON COUNTY PAF USER GROUP

Morningside Stake Center on 9th South and River Road

Member Meeting

21 May 2009

GREETERS: Carol Kroff and Connie Stewart

WELCOME: Bob Kroff - Vice-President – 10:05 a.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Gatha Wilson

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

BOB KROFF ... General Announcements

Pat Foster is the new Treasurer for the organization and she will happily be accepting all monies for payment of dues.

Interested in various Family History class check out the classes being held at the Regional Family History Training Center at: www.familyhistorycenter.org

FRAN LIGHTNER ... Cemetery Project

We are seeking volunteers to help transcribe information and take pictures of the MANY cemeteries we have in Washington County. We currently have available smaller maps for those working in the St. George City Cemetery and the Tonaquint Cemetery.

FRAN LIGHTNER ... WebSite

The Website is currently being worked on and many of the areas are still Under Construction as the process is VERY SLOW. Russ Bateman has cashed both of his computers, therefore our site has become "Very Very Slow", but we hope to be back on track very soon. We will be including a "Q & A" area, similar to 'Surfer Granny' in the newsletter, as well as "I'm searching for ...". We would like for all member to take a look and get back with Fran if you have any ideas or suggestion, at: jflightner@skyviewmail.com

WELCOMING THE PRESENTER Bob Kroff

Allen Forsyth has been involved in Data Processing since 1963. He started out as a computer operator on large, mainframe computers and has been involved with personal computers since the 1980's. He came to St. George after retiring from Farmers Insurance Group as the groups Corporate Computer Trainer. Allen has been teaching class on computer safety for the last eight years. He is currently serving at the Regional Family History Training Center and greatly appreciated by all for his techno expertise as well as his wonderful sense of humor, which he displayed to all with his 'pre-meeting' humorous videos. Our meeting started with chuckles and many warm-hearted laughs. Thanks Allen!

PRESENTER: PERSONAL COMPUTER SAFETY Allen Forsyth

Allen's presentation was via a video that began with the warning that being on the INTERNET is the same of being in a HIGH CRIME AREA. His presentation included warnings and explanations about various worm / botnets / virus's / etc. that are found on the Internet and can become attached to our computer. We therefore, need to be fully protected with Internet Software that will help prevent these items attaching themselves to our computer.

With the cautions: **ALWAYS BE ON GUARD
AND
JUST DON'T CLICK**

Allen suggested that we have the following tools to help protect our computers:

1. Update our operating systems and software
2. Use anti-virus software and update regularly
3. Secure anti-spyware software
4. Secure anti-phising tools

5. Use firewalls, both software and hardware
6. If using WIFI, insure that it is locked
7. Subscribe to Internet Security Newsletters.

It was suggested that we update/run weekly:

1. Full Virus and Spyware Scans
2. Run Secunia.com
3. Check our Computer Registry
4. Backup our Data Files

We all learned buckets full of information to help protect our Computers. And SIMPLY USE COMMON SENSE AND JUST DON'T CLICK Thank You Allen!

ANNOUNCEMENTS Bob Kroff

A Notice Received from LDS Church FamilySupport

Family History News Update

Here is some important information about a newly certified software application that will work directly with the new.familysearch.org Web site to prepare ancestral ordinances for the temple.

RootsMagic 4 is the first software affiliate product that is certified to reserve and submit ancestral names to temples to print LDS temple name cards using new FamilySearch Web services.

As an application that is certified to reserve ordinances, RootsMagic 4 has the ability to link people in your desktop genealogy file with matching people on the new.familysearch.org Web site. Once linked, a simple click on the temple icon next to a person's name will display that person's official temple ordinances, complete with dates, temple name, and status. Incomplete temple ordinances may then be reserved to be performed at a later time. Your own file may also be updated with ordinances that are already completed. RootsMagic 4 can select reserved ordinances and print a Family Ordinance Request (FOR) form to take to the temple. Once at the temple, a worker will scan the bar code on the form and print all the desired temple name ordinance cards. Once the ordinances have been completed, RootsMagic will be updated with your ancestors' new ordinance status.

For more product information go to: <http://www.rootsmagic.com/fs/>.

Our next class will be June 20th, same time, same place, Paul Larsen will be presenting his new book, "Crash Course in Genealogy - Book2"

CLOSING PRAYER: Bonnie Forsyth

By: June Morton – Recording Secretary

Prize Winners:

Denece Larsen
 Carol Kroff
 Connie Hatch

Total Attendance: 28
 Membership 21
 Visitors 7