

Minutes of the QCGC General Meeting of May 3, 2023

- President John Gelber called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.
- A brief business meeting followed. Board members in attendance were John Gelber, Norma Schellberg, Margie Barber, Mary-Lynn Dubray, Judie Fry, Bobbi Gordon, Mark Hester, Janice Messer, and Dick Sussman.
- Treasurer Margie Barber gave the Treasurer's Report as of April 30, 2023. Revenues since January 1, 2023 are \$555.00; Expenses are \$27.00; Leaving Net Revenues of \$528.00. The reconciled bank balance as of April 30, 2023 is \$1,430.18.
- Communications/ Membership Chair Dick Sussman announced that we currently have 64 dues paying members. Regarding communications, he is currently working on making an addition to the Club website that will take it into the future.
- Education Chair Mary-Lynn Dubray announced that the next workshop will be on May 25th at 1:00 p.m. in the Mesquite Room and is open to any members who wish to attend. The discussion topic will be Irish Genealogy. Please come with any questions you have.
- Board Member Mark Hester announced that the Club is planning a research trip to Salt Lake City next winter in January or February. More information regarding this will be provided at a later date.
- John reminded the members in attendance that we always have a need for volunteers. He also announced that anyone who needs help with their research is welcome to contact him and he will match you up with an experienced member who can provide assistance.
- John announced that the Southern Arizona Genealogy Society and the Pima County Genealogy Society are planning a joint DNA event on Saturday, October 28, 2023. This event will include nationally known DNA speakers and is open to the public, including QCGC members. More information will be available at a later date.
- During the summer months we do not have formal presentations. Therefore, on June 7, July 5, and August 2, the Club will conduct workshop format gatherings to answer/share/assist each other's research questions. Those meetings will be in the Ocotillo Room at 10:00 a.m.
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m.

Our program today featured speaker Chris Arundell. He spoke on the history of Japan's Pre-World War II take-over of many of the countries and islands in Southeast Asia including the Philippines. Chris and his family were living in Manila at the time and were forced to live in a Japanese Prisoner of War camp. They were eventually freed and came to the United States when he was about seven years old. His talk was very interesting and informational.