

Jefferson County Jubilee Tea Party

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Dressed their best for the occasion, some even wearing hats, members of the five Jefferson County, Idaho, camps celebrated their annual Jubilee August 24 with an old-fashioned English “tea party.” Company officers decorated round tables using their own heirloom doilies and dishes to simulate an elegant tea. Refreshments, served on old-fashioned glass luncheon plates with matching cups, included dainty sandwiches, traditional scones with clotted cream, and a variety of sweet treats and lemonade.

Featured speaker was Kathleen Ackerman, a professional genealogist with a special affinity for British family history. Ackerman, daughter of Company President Diana Hanson, resides in Arizona. She earned her bachelor’s degree from Brigham Young University and is working on her master’s degree from the University of Strathclyde in Scotland. For her presentation, Kathleen dressed the part, wearing a stylish suit and an elegant “Fascinator” of the type of hat often worn to formal English events. Several ladies wore beautiful hats but Kathleen was the only one wearing a Fascinator.

Prior to the luncheon, officers of Dorian, Golden Grain, La Belle, Lu Ann, and Snake River Crossing Camps received basic training for the new year.



PHOTO: Arlene Hayes, dressed for an English “tea party” stands by the table she decorated for the Jubilee.



PHOTO: Mary Jo Holm visits with Kathleen Ackerman.



PHOTO: Kathleen Ackerman giving a presentation on doing family history in the British Isles.