

MVGS FEBRUARY 1995 GENERAL MEETING

The February 11, 1995, MVGS general meeting was held in the Fireside Room of the Methodist Church. President Ken Bielman presiding.

The minutes of the January meeting were read and a correction was made by Ed that the March deadline for the labels project is an annual one and that the project continues.

Treasurer: Ron Edwards reported a balance of \$1357.07.

Committee Reports:

Library: Jean Grube said that the new books are listed in the Newsletter, including some that have been donated by members. She asked for a librarian for February 21.

Merchandising: Damaris Reynolds asked for donations for the Thrift Shop and suggested that everyone bring something next month.

Books: Damaris Reynolds said that she purchased a book on Robert Adams of Newbury and would donate it to the library if someone would give \$10 to the library. \$309 worth of books have arrived. There is a sign up sheet in the library for a book on New Jersey. If people are interested in donating a total of \$60, the Society will purchase it.

Public Relations: Refreshments for March are Mabelle Martsching and Lee Rudisill.

Queries: None and all previous queries answered.

Service: Ed Stratton reported that he was working on the cemetery index.

Membership: Jim Russell reported that there are four new members; 93 single members and 24 families making a total of 143 members including 46 not paid yet in 1995. They will be dropped next month if they have not renewed.

Newsletter: Ed Stratton said that if you want to have your Newsletter mailed, give him a 32 cent stamp for each month instead of a stamped envelope. He has enough articles for a few months. He will publish individual queries of 20 to 30 words. Ken suggested that Ed publish the names of new members.

There was discussion about mailing the newsletter to all members before the monthly meeting. Ed said it would be possible. Damaris said that the Board had talked about it and that mailing could begin in September with the increase in dues to begin in January 1996. Ken said that a Budget Committee of Darrell Kahl and Becky Kiger had been appointed. The 1996 budget would determine the dues increase.

Unfinished Business.

Computer: John Redman. The Committee considered the possibility

of purchasing a computer for the Society. They felt that the present book program is good, but that a fund could be started toward purchasing a computer. It was mentioned that the Linn GS is going into CD Roms. Ken suggested that it might be feasible to cooperate with the Linn GS.

Program: Danelle Aukerman reported that there was a profit of \$9.70 on the sale of archival supplies which will go into the computer fund. She will continue to sell the supplies.

New Business:

Martin Thompson said that he had the Day Book (1880 to 1883) of the Boston Mills at Shedd and he was in the process of indexing it.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Danelle said that she is working on a print out of the members' pedigrees (about 3,000 names).

Ken had received a notice from the OGS if a conference on April 1 at the Lutheran Church in Eugene from 8:30 to 4 on "How To Use the Computer in Genealogy."

On April 1, the MVGS will have a beginners class. Cost will be \$10. It will be held in the Annex, limited to 20 people. It will be from 9:30 to about 3 with a lunch break.

The National Genealogical Society will be held May 3 to 6 in San Diego.

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