

The meeting was opened by Ken Bielman, president. He announced that September was Genealogy month in Oregon, as proclaimed by Gov. Kitzhaber.

The minutes of the June meeting were approved as amended.

Treasury: Ron Edwards reported a balance of \$583.46 as of 31 August 1995.

Library: Jean Grube told of the summer's inventory ( a few items missing), rearrangement of the books, and general "housekeeping" activities.

Merchandising: Damaris Reynolds said that there are various miscellaneous books and duplicates which would be for sale in the Annex after the meeting. Hardbacks, \$1.00, Paperbacks, \$0.25, and magazines, \$0.10. On 16 Sep there will be a garage sale at her residence, and donations are needed. She also would like help, from 7:30 am on. All moneys realized will be for the book fund. She announced the acquisition of many new books, and suggested that members look in the catalog/brochure file for future purchase suggestions. She is passing a sign-up sheet for those interested in acquiring "Index of Death Notices & Marriages in a Cincinnati Paper 1827-1881".

Hostess: Ken Bielman announced that he and Becky Kiger would be host at the next meeting, due to the illness of Judy Beals.

Queries: Mabelle Martsching reported a number of queries, and the splendid donation of Northwest material from the Valenzuelas.

Service Projects: Becky Kiger reported a successful trip to the Portland Forum on 24 June. There were 13 members attending.

Ed Stratton indicated that the G-T obit project was being worked on, also the Cemetery Index. Jean Grube reported that she and Damaris Reynolds have been searching records in various local churches.

Newsletter: Ed Stratton said that the letter was a day late this month due to Labor Day. He wants all dues payments to come to him first, before going to the treasurer. Since we are approaching the 25th anniversary of this Society, he suggested that all charter members be considered "honorary" members. This motion was made, seconded and passed. He wants stories on these members for the Newsletter. Damaris Reynolds suggested that these members be notified of their status and announced in the Newsletter.

Membership: Jim Russell reported 88 single, and 26 family memberships, a total of 142.

By-Laws: Jean Grube has distributed draft changes to the board members for further discussion in October, and vote in November.

Ken Bielman announced a meeting of the Columbia Gorge (The Dalles) Genealogical Society in

October, unfortunately the same date as our monthly meeting. He has an interesting questionnaire from St. Olaf College (Northfield, Minnesota) regarding persons of Norwegian descent. He will make copies of this available.

Joan Mueller suggested that there be a list of members who own computers, the make thereof, for potential information exchange.

The program in October will have the following format: Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, and Michigan to be chaired by Danell Aukerman; Southern States to be chaired by Becky Kiger, and Computer users to be chaired by Ed Stratton.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be 14 October at 10:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

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