

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
Board Meeting, June 7, 1993

The meeting was called to order by President Daniel Froelich.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as written.

A motion was made by Mabelle Martsching that we write to the Corvallis Gazette-Times and urge them to print a book of Kenneth Munford's history pieces. The motion was second and passed and the secretary was instructed to write the letter.

Joy Read read the rules that she is composing for the information of refreshment volunteers. They were approved with minor revisions. She will post them in the kitchen and use a part of them for information on the sign-up sheet for refreshments that will be circulated in the fall.

Daniel asked Janice to complete and return the submission form so we will be included in the Corvallis Community Calendar.

Thanks was expressed to those who were in charge of the very successful garage sale, which brought in \$316.73 for the book fund. Jean Grube suggested that part of it might be used to expand the book shelves in our library. This will be a summer project. The bookcase that is presently in the closet in the library room will be moved to a new position at the next meeting and U-shaped shelves will be built into the closet area. Jean has given Ed a list of the newest books for the newsletter. She said she will need volunteers to assist with the inventory that is done in the library every summer.

The telephone committee will remind members that Saturday's meeting is potluck. The business meeting will be held at 12:00, with the potluck to follow. If it is nice enough to eat out-of-doors, members need to be reminded to bring lawn chairs.

Treasurer Darrel Kahl reported income for the period of \$680.67, expenses of \$20.25, with an increase of \$660.42. The ending balance was \$1483.68.

Maybelle reported that, after a year's work, she has nearly completed research on the Taylor family. Daniel said that he had done his best with another recent query to locate a WWII veteran who attended Oregon State University. The man, Jacob Prince, was originally from Salem but doesn't show in the Salem phone book now. Daniel found an address in an OSU alumni list. Ken Bielman said that he thought he knew Mr. Prince and he would see if he could find him.

The newspaper reading project that we are doing for the Museum is still moving along, Ed Stratton said, but very slowly. There is now a good film reader in the annex, so it should be possible to read papers at any time in one place or the other.

Ed also reported that material for the newsletter is arriving very well and he is encouraged. He has material on hand, which makes it so much easier to get the letter out. He hopes this continues.

Mabelle reported that Lyle Knower has presented the society two micro-fiche readers. There was discussion about how to best utilize this gift. We do have other readers, including one that is a reader-printer which has recently been donated. We have to get it set up, prepare to buy supplies for it, and determine a price for copies. Probably they will cost about 25 cents apiece. If we have more readers than we can use, one might be sold at the Christmas auction. Ed said that we ought to consider buying more micro-fiches because they are extremely inexpensive and we could accumulate information at low cost and small use of space. It is possible to check a reader and micro-fiches out in the same way that books are checked out. The secretary will send a letter of thanks to Mr. Knower.

Daniel reported that, after we called for volunteers to help with the sesquicentennial celebration at Starker Park and were prepared to take part, he was then told that we were expected to pay \$40 to be a part of it. He was not informed of this when asked to participate. Jean Grube made a motion, which was seconded and passed, that we withdraw from participation in the event. Daniel will communicate this to Charles Sartwell and express our thanks for his work on our behalf.

Jim Russell asked if the Society would be interested in joining with the LDS in their booth at the DaVinci Days celebration. He suggested that we could do a presentation and have people there to talk about how to begin doing genealogy. We could put out our brochures. Jim made a motion that we participate, Damaris seconded it, and it was passed. The site of the presentation will be the Corvallis City-County Library.

Ken Bielman reported two new members who are Audrey Thurer and May Dash. There have also been 5 renewals, he said, making a total of 147 members.

Jean Grube said that a lot of paperback books were left over from the garage sale and she will bring them to the meeting. If they do not sell there, she will probably take them to GoodWill.

The September meeting will be held at Damaris Reynolds' home.

The meeting was adjourned.

*Janice Barclay*