

MINUTES OF THE BCGS BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, 2 September 1998

The Board met at the home of Damaris Reynolds.

Members present: Danell Aukerman, Ken Bielman, Dorothy Burt, Jean Grube, Gene Kelsey, David Kribs, Mabelle Martsching, Gene Newman, Damaris Reynolds, Charlene Talbot

Members absent: Janice Barclay, Jim Russell

Also present: Pat Coolican, Budget Chair

The minutes of the June meeting were read and corrected to read that the fall garage sale will be on September 19th, rather than the 26th.

Program: Ken Bielman is trying to identify a candidate for a program on heraldry as it relates to genealogy. Other suggestions were requested.

Hostess: Charlene Talbot read a report on the June potluck and passed around a sign-up sheet for meeting refreshments.

Treasurer: Gene Newcomb reported that we spent a little more than we took in during the past fiscal year because of the garage sale donation to the Historical Society. \$160.00 was removed from the money market fund.

Budget: Pat Coolican presented the FY 98/99 budget together with the Treasurer's report of expenditures during the concluding fiscal year. It was suggested that all receipts be run through the books. Also that the book purchases and CD purchases be accounted for together. It was moved and seconded that the budget be approved as presented. Motion carried. Copies of the proposed budget will be available for members if requested. As for the computer fund, Ken Bielman reported that the proposed BCHS new building will have a locked computer room and proposed that the Board budget an amount per year for the computer fund. There was a discussion of whether or not we need access to CD's only or need also the capability to surf the Internet. It was moved and seconded that \$100.00 of the FY 98/99 budget be allocated to the computer fund. Motion seconded and carried. Suggestion was made that we perhaps have a computer committee to explore possibilities.

Library: Jean Grube has listed new books in the September newsletter. Also, an inventory was taken during the summer which has not yet been finalized. A list of missing materials will be published later in the Newsletter.

Library scheduling: No report.

Book Committee: Damaris Reynolds reported that the committee met during the summer and several books and CD's which were ordered have not yet arrived.

Sales: Donations are need for the September 19th garage sale. Damaris requested ideas for making the December meeting a fun event. Pat suggested a calling committee for that particular meeting and volunteered to help. A door prize was suggested. Damaris will not be here for the November meeting, so someone will be needed to sell raffle tickets.

Queries: There were no queries except repeats. Mabelle did get a book on the Horton Railroad. Georgene Stephenson, wife of former member James Stephenson, passed away. The Valenzuelas have donated two large volumes on the marriage records of Bledsoe County, Tennessee, compiled by Mrs. Valenzuela.

Danell reported that the membership is still growing. She has been very busy entering data into a Benton County Pioneer Data Base of any persons living in Benton County before 1900. There was a discussion of copying chancery records and final distributions of estates. Danell will be teaching classes in beginning and ^{internet} intermediate genealogy at Linn-Benton and is planning to take a group to Salt Lake City for research in the spring.

No report on service projects, except that Betty Vogel is entering data from the newspaper project.

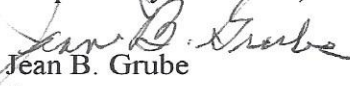
Newsletter: Dorothy Burt spoke of the disposition of the many exchange newsletters she receives. Suggestion was made that Library rules be printed in the newsletter for new members. Dorothy will need the usual help in folding, stamping, and mailing the newsletter.

Gene Kelsey has not had time this summer to work on the web page.

Ken Bielman gave an update on the new Museum Building plans. There was a discussion of more support to this by the Society, such as a 5-year lease. This can be tabled until a later time.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Jean B. Grube
Secretary pro tem

OBITUARIES

Loye Denon Brown

March 7, 1908 - Sept. 10, 1998

Loye Denon Brown of Corvallis died Thursday, Sept. 10, at his home. He was 90.

He was born in McCurtain, Okla., the son of Hugh and Ola (Dudley) Brown.

He married Olga Carpenter on May 4, 1929. He worked in the oil fields until 1933, when he moved his family to Oregon and located on Kiger Island south of Corvallis. He did farming and construction until his retirement. He married Leone McCo-

noughy on Nov. 14, 1964.

He was a member of Grant Avenue Baptist Church in Corvallis.

He was a former of the Corvallis Elks Lodge No. 1413 and the Corvallis Moose Lodge No. 1411.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting, gardening and traveling.

He is survived by his wife,



Loye Denon Brown

Leone of Corvallis; sons, William Brown of Corvallis, Laurel Brown of Portland, Don Brown of Tygard and Merle Brown of Sunriver; daughter, Phyllis Brown of Eugene; brothers, Herbert and Winfred Brown of Corvallis; sisters, Marie Arnwine of McCurtain, Okla., and Juanita McNair of Corvallis; nine grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren and 13-step-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his first wife, Olga Brown; daughter, Loreta; and brothers Lester Brown and Eugene Brown.

Visitation will be from 1 to 4 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 13, at McHenry Funeral Home. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m., Monday, Sept. 14, at McHenry Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Don Reeves will officiate. Burial will follow at Crystal Lake Cemetery in Corvallis.

Arrangements are by McHenry Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions in his name may be sent to Benton Hospice Service or Grant Avenue Baptist Church in care of McHenry Funeral Home, 206 N.W. Fifth St., Corvallis, OR 97330.