

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
Board Meeting December 9, 1991

The meeting was called to order by President Daniel Froehlich.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Daniel reported that five books were purchased at the auction of the Linn County Genealogical Society. Most had to do with Maryland records.

Janice Barclay showed the stained glass piece which her husband made for the auction at the December meeting. There will be no sale table at that meeting because of the things being brought for the sale and auction.

Treasurer Darrel Kahl reported that expenses for the month were \$259.79. Income from 12 single and 5 family memberships amounted to \$78.00. Total income was \$90.85. The ending balance was \$981.45.

Becky Kiger said that she had the extra key to the post office box and asked whom it should be given to. It was decided that it should be in the possession of Opal Katsky, the newly elected 1st vice-president. Opal and Joy Reed, 2nd vice-president elect were in attendance at the meeting.

Daniel announced that all appointive positions for next year are now filled when Jean Grube agreed to be merchandise chairman.

Eleven members went on the field trip to the Salem LDS library in November. It was a very successful trip and enjoyed by all. Daniel hopes to plan another field trip for late spring. He solicited suggestions as to where the group would like to go.

Damaris provided two Christmas cards to <sup>be</sup> assigned by members at the December meeting and sent to Danelle Aukerman and the Dodges.

Jean Grube reported several additional members, some new and some renewals. They are Cynthia McCann, Miriam Blair, Ann Vasconi, Terri Phillips, Jan Lowther, and Russell and Ann Lincoln.

Ed Stratton asked for articles for the newsletter. He would like to have some things in reserve that he can use as needed. Dick Millican can also use material for his magazine, The Heritage, if anyone would like to send him a query or a small item and a picture. Ed also likes to have queries for the newsletter. Ed said that the museum is hoping to buy a state of the art computer which would be available to members. He suggested that we should all be members of the Historical Society and many are.

Joy Reed brought a box of books that she had saved from trash at the Benton County Public Library. She received the thanks of the group for her efforts to save books that the library is getting rid of that the genealogical society can use.

Mabelle Martsching asked for direction when people using the library on Tuesdays find several pages of material which they want to copy. There was discussion on obtaining a copier for the library but Ed said it was not

feasible until there is better security in the annex. The only solution that was arrived at was that a member working in the library could take the material over to the museum and have it copied for a researcher. *by a Trained operator.*

Daniel raised the issue of raising dues for the society from \$4.00 for a single membership and \$6.00 for a family to \$6.00 and \$9.00. The group was in agreement that this would be a reasonable thing to do, since dues have been the same since 1971, a period ~~of~~ in which all costs have gone up appreciably. Therefore, Damaris moved that at the April meeting some board member bring the matter before the regular meeting: Dues be raised to \$6.00 and \$9.00 in September for the year of 1993. The motion passed unanimously and it was recommended that treasurer, Darrell Kahl, be the one to make the motion.

Mabelle suggested that our brochures need to be up-dated to reflect the move to the annex. Ed then showed his planned revisions. He has been working on up-dating the brochure on his computer and has a new version ready. It was edited by several members.

The sharing table for January will feature material from Pennsylvania and Ohio, which will be placed in an upstairs room for members to study.

The meeting was adjourned.

*Janice Barclay*

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
Meeting of December 14, 1991

The meeting was called to order by the president, Daniel Froehlich.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer, Darrell Kahl, reported expenses for the month of \$259.79. Income from memberships paid and sale items amounted to \$90.85. The amount in the bank as of December 9, 1991 was \$981.45.

Damaris Reynolds reported that she had received a nice check for items taken to the Thrift Shop and expects another in January because she had a nice box of clothes to take to the shop. Donations from members for the Thrift Shop are always welcome.

Joanne Perry said that material for the library has been flooding in to the point that she needs more supplies to get it all processed. She suggested that the group look into purchasing library supplies by mail where it would be possible to save 40-50% of the cost. Laura Crosier asked if there would be a supplement to the book list. There will be one as soon as possible after all new books are processed.

Sandra Ihrig passed a sign-up sheet for volunteers to staff the library on Tuesdays.

Daniel announced that five new books were bought at the auction of the Linn County Genealogical Society. Most deal with Maryland records.

Christmas cards were passed around to be signed by members and sent to Harriet Moore, Edna Wiese, Charles and Jane Dodge, and Danell Aukerman.

Mabelle Martsching announced that the archives in Salem are closed until the 23rd of the month when they will be open at the new location at 800 Summer Street, NE.

Daniel stated that members who wish to receive the FGS Forum need to re-enroll. He has application cards. There is no charge to members for the publication.

Daniel announced the appointive positions for the next year have been filled as follows: Book chairman, Damaris Reynolds; Sales, Jean Grube; Membership, Ken Bielman; Library volunteers, Sandra Ihrig.

Damaris reported that she has received an anonymous donation of \$100. for the book fund.

Ken Bielman has a full set of German Research Association publications which he would lend and also much information on Chase County, Kansas. The library has extra past issues of the Genealogical Helper to give away.

Daniel reported a good response to the field trip to Salem and said that he hopes to arrange another trip in the spring. He asked for suggestions as to where members would like to visit.



Gene Kelsey asked for a show of hands of those who have computers and modems and would be interested in a user group. Since there appeared to be quite a bit of interest, he will pursue the idea. Modems are available for about \$80., he said.

The meeting was adjourned and was followed by the annual Christmas party and auction.

*Janice Barclay, Secretary*