MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Board Meeting 7 January 1987

Attending: Kiger, Grune, Reynolds, Abel, Yoke, Marshall, Nichols

Becky Kiger read the job descriptions and duties of the officers, and also discussed various odd jobs.

There followed a discussion of information to be given to new members:

signing the register at meetings

2. library rules

 turning in ancestor charts, and giving personal reserve inventory; receiving beginners kits

4. information on OSU Thrift Shop and Flav-R-Pac labels

5. Dues-to be paid Jan. to Jan.

- 6. By-laws and list of members to be provided, also research areas of interest to current members
- 7. the refreshment "kitty"

8. Question Box

The treasurer reported a balance of \$840.00.

There followed a discussion concerning honoring chartermembers; the possibility of acquiring books in honor of a particular member or members.

The Society will celebrate the 15th anniversary of its charter in January. We will have a birthday cake and punch served between the business meeting and program (Saturday, Jan. 10), courtesy of Damaris Reynolds.

News Letter: Should include list of charter members. Perhaps the letter should be expanded by emphasizing the activities of one or two members each month.

Marshall and Yoke will help Becky on this.

Becky suggested that a short length of time be set aside at meeting of for ™sharing™.

Damaris wants a sign-up sheet for the year circulated at the next meeting for refreshments.

Valerie suggested as an attendance incentive that a door prize (of little consequence) be awarded, or a raffle.

Workshops: Four workshops are to be offered during this next year on alternate months from 10:30 am to 12:00pm.

1. February—Beginning Genealogy, forms and note taking
2. April—Gemeteries and rubbings Consus & Vital Records - Betty Wason?
3. October—Military, Census, and Vital Records

A budget of \$890.00 was projected.

Special projects fund. . . money for? . . . need seed money?
Library program?
Need audit committee?
Need better publicity?

The meeting was called to order by Becky Kiger, president.

Damaris Reynolds, hostess, welcomed new members: Tom Parsons, Edward Stratton, Raymond and Shirley Stone, and guest, Roy L. Wilson, president of the Lebanon Genealogical Society. She thanked members who donated the refreshments of the day, and passed a sign-up slip for similar contributions for the balance of the year.

Becky Kiger introduced the new officers.

Minutes of the December meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer submitted her report. The current balance is \$866.20 and \$18.20 in cash.

The president appointed Janet Newman and Terry Skidmore to audit the books.

Mr. Dodge of the Book Committee reported on the receipt of various publications and ordering of new books.

Ted Gump was congratulated on a most successful auction at the December meeting.

Velma Parsons reported on three proposed memorial books as follows:

"Mulkeys of America" in honor of Ralph van Cleve and Rex Palmer

"Directory of Scots in the Carolinas, 1680-1830" in honor of Celia Coon

and Lotta Chapman

"Early Connecticut Marriages prior to 1800" in honor of Reggy Mason.

- It was moved by Virginia Hoeye, seconded by Ted Gump, to direct the Book Committee to purchase the above books. Motion carried.
- Danelle Knight reported on her inventory of archival supplies and new items.

 She told about the current status of her computerizing of the surname file. It was the consensus to seek approval from the Society if ever decided to sell computerized lists of names.
- Valerie Nichols announced the dates for the Antique Show (Feb. 28th and Mar. 1) and provided flyers, post-cards, etc., for distribution.

There were no queries.

The Question Box offered the problem of tracing American Indian ancestry, specifically, Cherokee. Mr. Wilson replied that Lebanon had several books on the subject and a possible resource person; Elizabeth Akin suggested the OSU library, and Jean Grube mentioned a library devoted to Indian records in Muskogee, OK.

The president read from the Willamette Valley Genealogical Society News which announced that on 7 February the Yamhill Genealogical Society would hold a seminar on land records, church records, etc., conducted by Arthur D. Fiske from Seattle.

The president read a letter requesting any information concerning the Austin brothers in Benton County.

Roy Wilson, president of the Lebanon Genealogical Society, stated that it would be most advantageous for the four mid-valley groups, Sweet Home, Lebanon, Albany and Corvallis, to hold a joint meeting, preferably in April. He suggested the possibility of joint seminars. He announced that there would be a study group working on Missouri data at the State Library in Salem, January 31st, 9:30 a.m.

The combined meeting suggestion was referred to the Executive Board.

There followed a break for cake and punch to celebrate the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Society.

Becky Kiger announced that at the next meeting (Feb. 14) there would be a Beginners Workshop.

The meeting was closed.

Ted Gump gave an informative and entertaining account of his and LaRea's research "vacation".

Respectfully submitted,

Mary A. Yoke, secretary

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