

Executive Board Meeting, 6 March 1990

Attending: Froehlich, Swan, Stratton, Martsching, Darrell Kahl, Yoke, Grube.

Lee Rudisill announced that the March program would feature Ken Mumford speaking on the Lake County connection; the April meeting would have Damaris Reynolds and Jean Grube leading a tour of the OSU library; the May meeting not yet set.

Ed Stratton informed us that Fern Shaffer would be the hostess at the Saturday meeting, assisted by Merthel McConnell.

Daniel Froehlich reported that work on the Heritage Quest seminar is satisfactory.

Darrell Kahl brought in the books for review.

Betty Swan reported that the library book re cataloguing was still unavailable, but that she hoped to receive it soon. She showed us the up-to-date book list, now 23 pages, and should sell for \$ 2.50. She gave refreshment bills to Darrell Kahl.

Mabelle Martsching announced the Sweet Home 1990 Workshop would be held March 23-24. She displayed family books for Goracke and Horning families, for which she has already paid. She will be reimbursed, and Yoke will write a thank-you note.

Jean Grube has the latest membership list.

Upon inquiry by Ed Stratton, it was determined that no one has any information on our "Forum" membership.

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOC.  
10 March 1990

The meeting was called to order by the president, Ed Stratton.

The minutes of the February meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer, Zyra Kahl, reported a balance of \$1595.54.

The librarian, Betty Swan, thanked those who had promised cookies for the forthcoming Heritage Quest seminar. She announced receipt of five new books, and indicated that the up-dated book list was for sale.

Dan Froehlich reported on sales of book lists etc.

Ed Stratton reported on the use of Hunterdon House as a source for genealogy books.

As regards the surname file, Mr. Crosiar will take over the job for awhile.

Becky Kiger reported that the Cemetery project was still coming, but the first publication was still in gestation.

Jean Grube distributed the latest membership list.

Dan Froehlich indicated that plans for the Heritage Quest presentation were under control.

Unfinished business:

John Matuszak presented a By-law change in regard to the duties of the Treasurer. Discussion followed. The proposed change was denied by vote of the members.

Ed Stratton inquired of the members if any had received copies of the "Forum". Since the answer was negative, Jean Grube will trace this matter.

The matter of a possible move of meeting site and library was again discussed. Ed Stratton has met with the Benton Historical Society representative and reported on same. It was moved by Jean Grube that this subject be tabled. Discussion followed. The motion carried; subject tabled until April.

Rebecca Kiger reported on the audit of the books carried out by Sheila Madden and herself. The books are correct; a few recommendations were made. She commended John Matuszak for an excellent job these past two years.

After singing "Happy Birthday" to Harriet Moore for her birthday (94th) later this month, the meeting was adjourned.

Ken Munford gave an interesting presentation on the Lake County connection, where much of the OSU Land Grant territory was located.

Respectfully submitted,

*Mary A. Yoke*  
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# **BENTON COUNTY** \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ **HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MUSEUM**

March 29, 1990

Dear Friend of Benton County History,

Many individuals and organizations in Benton County are working to preserve our rich local heritage. As one of the largest and most long standing of these groups, the Benton County Historical Society feels a special obligation to do what it can to assist other groups to achieve their goals.

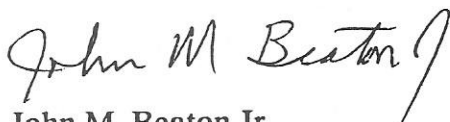
The Society is currently involved in developing a long range plan for guidance of our future activities. As we progressed, we came to believe that increased communications with other history interest groups would be essential for us to plan effectively to meet the needs of the citizens of the county. We also saw that increased cooperation and communication among groups could help every group more effectively achieve their goals: As a result of this thinking, we decided to do what we could to initiate increased interaction.

As a first step, I would like to invite you to participate in a *historic interest group forum* that will be held at the Benton County Historical Museum on April 29, 1990 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. At this meeting, representatives of local historic interest and preservation groups will briefly describe the activities and goals of their organizations. Following that, an open discussion session will enable us to explore avenues for greater cooperation and communication.

If you would like more information about the meeting or if your organization would like to make a presentation also (5 minutes or less), please contact Bill Lewis, Museum Director, at the number below. Refreshments will be served at the end of the meeting and attendance is free and open to the public.

I hope you will plan to attend this session. I believe that by working together we can accomplish far more to preserve our cultural heritage than we can alone. This meeting will give us all an opportunity to discover the ways that increased communication can help us all. I look forward to seeing you on April 29.

Sincerely



John M. Beaton Jr.  
President  
Benton County Historical Society