Mid-Valley Genealogical Society Board Meeting of March 9, 1992

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

Minutes of the last meeting were not available so were not read.

Daniel announced that the April board meeting will be at the home of Ken Bielman and the May board meeting will be at the home of Janice Barclay.

Speaker for the March meeting will be Charles Hall, who will talk about Indian Legends of local tribes. Lee Rudisill will be in charge of the meeting and will introduce the speaker as Daniel will be absent.

The treasurer, Darrel Kahl, reported that income for the month was \$60.75, expenses were \$6.16, and the bank balance was \$1737.93.

Wendy James, librarian, said that she is going to make telephone calls to members who have not returned books to the library. There are some that have been out for a year and she would like to see them returned. One DAR book is apparently permanently lost because the card is in the file without the name of the person who took the book out. She will ask for its return at the next meeting.

Damaris Reynolds reported that the book committee has purchased a number of new books as planned. The one, Gateway to the West, which was bought with members contributions, is back ordered.

Mabelle Martsching said that she had had one inquiry about an Archevalus and Mary Livingstone Jordon who were married in Corvallis in the 1850's and are buried in Orleans Cemetery in Linn County. She has not yet located information on them.

She also showed clippings from the Oregonian which give information on where to write for records of American wars. Wendy will copy them so that the information will be available to members.

Thirteen people have signed up for the trip to the South Salem LDS family history library on the 13th. Cars will leave from Daniel's house.

Ed Stratton reported that nineteen persons have signed up for the beginning genealogy workshop to be held on April 4.

The cemetery book committee is working on the Oaklawn records on Wednesdays.

Membership chairman, Ken Bielman, reported 7 new single memberships and 1 family membership. He also said that the recent electrical storm destroyed his membership records which were stored in his computer, so there will not be an update until he finds out the extent of the damage to his computer and gets it repaired.

Merchandise chairman, Jean Grube, said she would like more items such as binders and books to put on the sale table.

Virginia Hooeye, is in charge of the scrapbooks of the society and has expressed concern becaue the pages are crumbling. Edna Wiese has suggested that Xerox copies of the books be made for members to look at. The group didn't feel that there was enough interest in perusing the books to justify the expense of such a project. After some discussion, it was decided to see if the books could be taken apart, put in plastic sheet protectors and put in binders. If anyone could donate binders, this would make the project much less expensive.

Jerry Pygott is interested in starting a computer users group. It was suggested that he be referred to Gene Kelsey, who is also interested in starting such a group.

Daniel asked that Germany be added to the areas to be featured on the study table for April and that Ireland be added in May. He asked Ed to add this to the Newsletter. Ed stated that he had a good amount of material for this month's newsletter.

The meeting was adjourned.

Janice T. Barclay, Secretary

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Meeting of March 14, 1992

The meeting was called to order by Lee Rudisill in the absence of President Daniel Froehlich.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer Darrell Kahl reported receipt of five single and one family memberships for a total of \$26.00. Total income for the period was \$60.75. Expenses were \$6.16. The bank balance at the end of the period was \$1737.93.

Librarian Wendy James reported that the trip to the south Salem Family History Library went well. Members who went were given much individual help and all found some information. More trips are planned.

She asked members to please return overdue books to the library so that others may have use of them, too. She also stated that some general reference books will be taken off the circulation list and their use will be confined to the library so that all may have a chance to see them. She plans to put up some signs requesting that there be no talking in the library room to facilitate research.

Jean Grube asked for material for the sale table such as books no longer needed, or notebooks.

Damaris Reynolds reported that the book "Gateway to the West" which was purchased with members contributions has arrived. She thinks it will be a very useful book.

Ed Stratton said that the surname file of names contributed by members is now in the library.

He also reported that applications for the seminar to be held on the 4th of April are up to 23. Thirty persons will be the limit for the class and another class will be planned if excess applications are received.

A visitor, Dorothy Reed, from Salem was introduced.

Darrell Kahl reported that he had visited the new archives in Salem. He said they were quite lenient in letting researchers use original records. They have birth, death, Oregon Military records, some probate, and marriage records. The personnel were very helpful, he said.

Ed was thanked for his maintenance of the annex building. He has spent quite a few hours lately working on the plumbing and furnace.

Wendy James suggested that a project that the group might work on for the sesquicentennial would be to research the names of the 250 persons who manned Fort Hoskins. She suggested that David Brauner of OSU and Ken Munford would be good resource persons for such a project.

Darrell Kahl suggested that the book committee might consider purchasing a second set of some of the most important resource books for the library since it is very hard to get access to them. This was referred to the book committee.

Lee reported that the program for the next meeting will be a visit to her husband's rock museum.

Mary Yoke reported that she is getting together another order for films from the American General Lending Library. This is proving to be a good source for obtaining records, she said.

The meeting was adjourned and was followed by a program presented by Frank Hall on the historical significance of Marys Peak to the Indians of the area. He showed slides of the peak and of proposed development of the area.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Barclay, Secretary

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