MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Board Meeting, September 8, 1992

Those in attendance: Daniel Froehlich, Wendy James, Ed Stratton, Jean Grube, Lee Rudisill, Ken Bielman, Damaris Reynolds, Darrell Kahl, and Janice Barclay.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Wendy reported that several of the missing books from the library have been recovered, including a copy of <u>The Source</u>.

Lee said that she hopes to have Alfred Lane of the Siletz as speaker for the November meeting. Since he informed her that he might have to cancel at the last minute, alternative speakers were discussed. Vince Zettler of the museum, who is versed in Indian crafts was one possible replacement.

Darrell Kahl read the treasurer's report. There was \$1400 remaining in the bank account at the end of the reporting period.

Damaris shared a list of the new books purchased by the Book Committee over the summer and the shelf list for the library. The shelf list will be on sale at the next meeting for \$2.00. She will have Ed put the names of any new books in the newsletter during the year and she plans to make an addendum to the list each June. She reported that the Committee went to the genealogy meeting in Springfield in August and were able to buy the books on the want list they had made at about a 30% discount there. Several more books have been ordered.

She also is preparing a sheet on Missouri booklets which would be desirable for the library. At the next meeting, members will be asked to contribute half the cost and the society will contribute the other half if there is enough interest.

She urged everyone to study the binder of book catalogs that is in the library to see which books are for sale that would be of help to them.

Jean Grube and the cemetery committee have nearly finished the Oaklawn cemetery. Jean's son transferred the records to his computer and made a laser jet print-out which is almost ready for the printers.

Ken reported three new members joined the society during the summer.

Jean said that we still need more items for the raffle for Christmas. So far, she has a table cloth set and an afghan. She hopes to start selling tickets in October.

Damaris suggested that we have more used book sales. The one in June brought in about \$40.

Ed reported that he and Mabelle are working on several requests.

Daniel said that the LDS Family History Center has a new policy of collecting as many census records on indefinite loan as they have room for. If anyone has a special need, this would be a good time to get it so that it could stay here. Because of staffing shortages, the library is no longer open on Saturday afternoons.

Ed said the PAF users group, though small, is meeting regularly. They have been having "how-to" sessions for beginners.

Ed asked why we don't consider selling life memberships and giving those who buy them a certificate. There was a discussion about this, since a separate account would have to be set up to handle money brought in this way. Darrell didn't think it would be very difficult to set up such an account. No action was taken at this time.

Ed discussed material for the newsletter. He said he is nearly through Fagan and will then begin to print a series of articles on early Benton County murders.

Damaris suggested that Nancy Hamilton, a lady who teaches workshops on making albums of family photos, might be interesting. With the approval of the Board, she will work on such a workshop for January or February.

Ed said that many people want another beginners workshop. He thinks we should do one every year. Those who taught last year's agreed to work on one again after the first of the year.

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The meeting was adjourned.

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY Meeting of Septmeber 12, 1992

The meeting was called to order by President Daniel Froehlich.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Joy Reed passed around a sign-up sheet so that members could sign up to provide refreshments for one of the future meetings. They were also reminded that there is a kitty for money for coffee.

Treasurer Darrell Kahl read the treasurer's report. Expenses from June 9 to September 8 were \$566.84 which included purchases of books and subscriptions for periodicals. Income was \$334.08. Balance at the end of the period was \$1400.14.

Wendy James, Librarian, reported on the library re-organization project now completed and expressed her thanks to those who helped with the work. Shelf lists are on sale listing over 800 books now in the library.

Daniel reported that the city library has given us a copy of the Index to the 1850 census for Ohio. Jean said many of the new books in our library are from the city library, which closed out its genealogy section. Many books have also been purchased to round out the collection and address preferences stated by members. Many were purchased at a recent seminar in Eugene where they were 30% off and didn't require postage payment which stretched the money that was spent. She said we have acquired approximately 100 new books this summer.

* Except for Chicago and Author.

Jean also said that we need items to sell on the merchandise table.

Mabelle Martsching said that she is working on several queries. New names include Pettijohn, Starr and Duncan. She welcomes help from anyone who is familiar with those families.

Becky Kiger said that work is nearly finished on the cemetery book project. The Oak Lawn book is in the final stages and will soon go to the printer.

A new member, Dana Lake, was presented.

Ed Stratton said that he can use articles for the newsletter. Book reviews and trips make good material. He has nearly finished printing Fagan and plans a series on early murders in Benton County.

Laura Crosier said that as part of the celebration of Camp Adair's 50th anniversary, a book was published in Polk County with stories from persons who were affected by the establishment of the camp. Several persons expressed interest in the book and Laura will try to bring copies to the next meeting which can be purchased.

Daniel reported that cost of membership in FGS has risen to \$45. for the society and that this will no longer buy copies of the Forum publication for members as in the past. After discussion, it was voted to drop this membership when it comes due.

The meeting was adjourned and members took turns talking about their genealogical research adventures of the summer. Several were able to take trips to the east coast to find ancestral homes and cemeteries.