

**THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES  
Saturday May 12, 2018**

**Call to Order – President George**

George welcomed members.

**Minutes– Linda** The April 14, 2018, minutes were distributed by e-mail, reviewed and approved by members present.

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**Reports of Officers and Committees:**

**President - George**

- a. Next Board Meeting will be **Wednesday June 6, 2018**, at the Philomath Library 12:30 to 2:00pm. **All members are welcome to join us.**
- b. **Next General Meeting will be Saturday June 9, 2018**, in the church social hall at 10:00am with the program to follow at 11:00am and potluck in the Annex afterwards.
- c. George requested and received free library copies of Rootsmagic 7 which will be installed on our BCGS Library computers.
- d. **Overview of the Day:** Today, Keith and Darlene Pyeatt will talk about Immigration and Naturalization. Everyone is invited to the Annex for refreshments after the program.
- e. George encouraged members to check out our BCGS website.

**Past President - Ron**

**Vice President - Kathryn**

Kathryn asked members with genealogy expertise to contact her.

**Programs - Linda**

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**Programs Scheduled for 2018**

**May 12:** Keith Pyeatt will speak on Immigration and Naturalization

**June 9:** Annual potluck and members bring collections, artifacts or an heirloom to display.



**Summer Break for July and August**

Our BCGS Library will remain open during the summer at the regular times--Tues & Sat 1 to 3:30pm.

**September 8:** Gathering Back together and Book Sale

**October 13:** Sandy Potter will present a program on Women of World War II

**November 10:** Lois will present a program on Ancestry and DNA

**December 8:** Annual Holiday Auction and Potluck

**2019**

January 12: Ted Cox will speak about his book **Murray Loop** and techniques he used to research and write the Murray family history – Journey of an Oregon Family 1803-1949.

February 9: TBA

March 9: Ann Smart will demonstrate basic features of Rootsmagic and recent updates.

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**Committee Reports**

**Membership:** Connie reported that we have **64** memberships. She introduced Barbara a new member today.

**Treasurer:** Lois reported our income and expenses. Our current balance is about \$6,000 which is just a bit over the same amount as last year at this time.

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## **Publications**

Web pages:

BCGS web page [bcgs-oregon.org](http://bcgs-oregon.org) Take a look!

1. **Web page:** George

2. **Newsletter:** Our new newsletter editor is Ann Bateman. Thank you Ann!

3. **Facebook page:** Sue

<https://www.facebook.com/BentonCountyGenealogicalSociety/>



## **Library Committee**

Librarian

\*Sue talked about the book sale scheduled for September 8<sup>th</sup> and encouraged members to bring their donated genealogy books to the BCGS library anytime between now and September 8<sup>th</sup>.

Several members volunteered to move boxes of recycle materials from the library today.

\*To honor Ted Gump, Sue asked for ideas about a book to add to our library in Ted's memory. She brought several books to show that Ted had donated to our library through the years.

\*Sue handed out a survey to gain insight on how to attract more usage of our BCGS Library.

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Historian: Faye

Photographer: If anyone is willing to be the society photographer please contact Linda Olsen.

## **Unfinished Business**

Linda talked about the June program and asked members to participate by bringing collections, an artifact or heirloom to display on tables in the social hall and tell a little about them.

## **New Business**

\*Pegge suggested we have three people per month to bring refreshments. A motion was made and carried to add another person to provide refreshments each month. Volunteers bring fruit, breads, crackers and cheese, fresh vegetables or meat trays, or desserts. Volunteers need to communicate with each other about the refreshments each is providing. Pegge calls the volunteers each month as a reminder.

## **Other**

\*Ann asked for volunteers to help in the Oregon Quest Project at Mt Union Cemetery. See Ann if you are interested.

\*Maridee brought photos and asked for help with identifications. She received helpful suggestions.

## **Next Meetings**

Board: Wednesday June 6, 2018, 12:30 to 2:00pm at the Philomath Community Library

General: Saturday June 9, 2018, 10:00am in the church social hall, program at 11:00am followed by our Annual Potluck.

## **Adjournment to Program**

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Olsen, Secretary