

**THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Saturday June 10, 2017**

Call to Order – President George Davidson

George welcomed members and visitor Kay Daniels. Lee Rudisill's sister

Minutes– Linda The May 13, 2017, minutes were distributed by e-mail, reviewed and approved by members present.

Reports of Officers and Committees:

President - George

- a. Next Board Meeting will be **Wednesday September 6, 2017**, at the Philomath Library 12:30 to 2:00pm. **All members are welcome to attend the Board Meetings.**
- b. Next General Meeting will be held on **Saturday September 9, 2017**, in the church social hall at 10:00am with the program "**Show & Tell & Sharing** at 11:00am.
- c. Overview of the Day: the program **Dating Old Photographs** will begin about 10:30am with our **Annual Potluck** to follow at noon.

Past President - Ron

Vice President - Kathryn Moss

Programs - Linda Olsen and Maridee Symons

Summer Break - Our BCGS Library will be open the same days & hours for the summer.

September: Show and Tell and Sharing.

October: Don Anderson's program about "From Native American to Scottish: The journey to find my first parents. It all started in Corvallis!"

November: TBA

December: Annual Holiday Auction and potluck.

Committee Reports

Membership: Connie reported that we have 58 paid memberships plus several complimentary memberships.

Treasurer: Lois reported our current balance is \$5,536.30. We have increased our income by about \$300 over last year.

Lois explained the Board Approved an increase from \$5 to \$10 per year for the mailed newsletters to cover increased expenses of copying and mailing newsletters - effective with 2018 renewals.

Publication Committee

Web pages:

BCGS web page bcgs-oregon.org **Take a look!**

1. **Web page:** George

*Added a web page to list monthly programs

*Changed colors on our web page to make it easier to read.

2. **Newsletter:** Continue sending newsletter articles of genealogical interest to Ron DeYoung.

3. **Facebook page:** Sue – See the updates on our facebook page.
<https://www.facebook.com/BentonCountyGenealogicalSociety/>

Library Committee -

Librarian:

*Library inventory will be June 16 with lots of volunteers already signed up.

*The Writing group will begin again in September. All members are welcome to attend.

*Sue is working on the Missouri book order

*Sue and Kathryn are developing a new member packet. Sandra Potter has digital copies of the past new member packet to share.

Historian: Faye

Photographer: If anyone is willing to be the society photographer please contact Linda Olsen or any of the board members.

Unfinished Business

1. Reviewed the brief article about the Living History Founder's Day celebration held at Camp Adair. (See the review in our June newsletter)

2. Gail Downs is tentatively scheduled for February for **The Black Suitcase Mystery** program

3. If you have contact ideas, community newsletters or individuals that might be interested in writing an article about Benton County history or presenting a program, contact Linda Olsen.

New Business

Lois asked members to consider volunteering for a small job to help out.

*More Library volunteers are needed as substitutes when the regular staff needs someone to fill in

*One or more members are needed to write the program reviews and submit them to the newsletter

*Society Photographer

*One or more members to help set up the Annex for potlucks, count the number of plates, cups and utensils needed, make coffee and anything else to help make our great potlucks pleasant for all.

*Sue needs help with making copies to fill purchase orders of our society published books.

*Volunteer mentors are needed for any member needing help with their genealogy research and new members just getting started.

*Contact Lois if you can spare an hour or so a month to help in any capacity whether it is listed here or not.

Other

Next Meetings

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General Meeting: Saturday September 9, 2017, 10:00am in the church social hall, Show and Tell and Sharing program at 11am to 12 noon.

Adjournment to Program

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Olsen, Secretary