

**Minutes of the Benton County Genealogical Society General Meeting
10 April 1999**

The meeting was called to order at 10:10 a.m. by president Dave Kreibs. The number of members present was approximately 30.

Guests - Visitors and New Members were introduced

Minutes - Terri Greene

- The minutes of the general meeting of 13 Mar 1999 were read and accepted with changes.

Treasurer's Report - Gene Newcomb

- Feb. balance \$2211.66
- Mar. balance ~~\$1990.35~~ 05
- Net total \$ -221.31

- Transaction Detail and Category Summary Reports were submitted.
- Main expenses were for library purchases
- There were more expenses than income and the balance is expected to decrease from now until September.

Library - Jean Grube

- Jean was ill and someone was needed to open library in her absence.
- Lee Rudisill needs 2 people to staff the library on 4/20 to replace Ken and Judy who are still gone.

Merchandising - Damaris Reynolds

- The garage sale will be held May 15, 1999 from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.
 - Lee Rudisill will take over running the garage sale..
 - Begin setup the week before the sale..
 - Pat Coolighan will be there Thursday morning to price items.
 - Items for sale can be left at the library for the next 2 - 3 weeks or call Jean Grube or Damaris Reynolds.

Book Committee - Damaris Reynolds

- \$237+ was used to purchase books
- Genealogy abstracts from newspaper are valuable for information and also humorous antidotes.

Hostess - Charlene Talbot

- Nothing new.

Queries - Maybelle Marching

- There was a query on the Bateman obituary.
- Ken Beilman and Dave Kreibs will assist in looking up queries.

Newsletter - Dorothy Burt and Jancie Barclay

- Extra copies of the newsletter are at the library.
- There was a suggestion that extra newsletters be placed on the society table at Garland Nursery on 4/17, and also place Fagan and other library and Revolutionary War books on the table.
- A concern was expressed that having the books on the table was risky due to fear of losing them.

WPA Project/Service Projects - Danelle Aukerman

- No Report.

Classes: No report.

Corvallis Obit Project - Charlene Talbot

- Currently updating birth and obituary records.
- Should project be renamed?

Membership - Leila Crawford

- Currently have 120 members.
- Membership costs are \$10 single and \$13 family.
- Currently working on name labels.
- Gene Newcomb had a question regarding general membership - Irma Lee Brown's newsletter was returned. Have we lost a charter member?
- Please save UPC bars from Santiam and FlavorPac labels. We receive 3 cents per label and the money we get from the labels is used to purchase new books.

General Web Page - Lee Gentemann

Currently working on.

BCGS Web Page - Gene Kelsey

- Need to add the Web page address on the back of the newsletter..
- Would like e-mail to correct spelling and addresses.

Pedigree Charts and Surname File - Jim Russell

- Appended nearly all data. Had to addendum 3.
- Main database is in library and has 2 small addendums.
 - Name of ancestor submitted
 - Name and vital statistics of ancestor submitted
 - Index

submitted

- Keep 4 - 5 generations
- Jim Russell reported that advertising pays off. He placed an ad in Wisconsin in 1967 regarding his search on the Russell and Palmer families. It took over 30 years but he recently got a response to his ad with all the correct lineage information.

Unfinished Business:

- 1 microfiche reader and 1 film reader are still available.
- Big table is for sale for \$30.
- Gene Newcomb reported that the box of microfiche has been put in order and a list of what is in the box is to be posted in the library.

New Business:

- Page 3 of the newsletter is payment to Higginson for Fagan's. The cost is \$56 for non-BCGS members and BCGS members receive a 10% discount. *if possible*
- Set up order list to order Fagan's History of Benton County 1885, illustrated. Remake of Ritchies 1951 version.
- The historical library has name index on it.
- Contact museum office if wish to purchase Fagan's.

\$ 56.50

need to get order in w/25 immediately

Miscellaneous:

- Sandy Powell from Garland Nursery is having a Society Day on April 17th and has invited BCGS to participate. Set up a table and need volunteers to watch table. Do we have any brochures to place on table?

Program:

- April program will feature Mary Gallagher - Identify and preserve family items for future.
- May program: Lois Meeser - Reliving the Lewis and Clark Expedition.

Wander Woman, A Personal Discovery on the Trail of Lewis + Clark

The next general meeting will be held 8 May 1999.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:58 a.m..

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Greene, Secretary