MINUTES OF THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING, SATURDAY FEBRUARY 11, 2006

Bill Gleaves presided as President pro tem

Minutes - Kathleen Coan

The minutes of last Board meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report - Gene Newcomb

After reviewing the finances for the past month, the balance in the treasury is 44,629.49.

Programs - Dave Kribs

Today's program will be Linda Crew's presentation of her new book, "A Heart for any Fate", about the trip west by wagon train bringing the King family to King's Valley

Hostess - Betty Brummett

No report

Librarian - Ken Beilman

Ken auctioned off the New Jersey book at the meeting. A complete updated shelf list for the library was presented by Bill at a cost of \$4. each and another for CD"s was offered. Lee Rudisill asked about the old copies of the Genealogical Helper and Heritage Quest that are being offered to the membership

Membership - Leila Crawford

Leila reports that there are now 118 renewals and 15 exchange newsletters with a total of 133 members.

Library Schedule - Lee Rudisil

Publishing - Lee Gentemann

There have been no books published in recent months and Lee is still working from last year's large inventory.

Book Committee - Damaris Reynolds

Lee Gentemann reports for Damaris that seven cemetery books were sold by the museum.

Queries - Lee Gentemann

No queries have been posted in the newsletter. There have been a number of research requests in the past two months, mostly asking for newspaper articles that Are listed on-line in our Newspaper Project. on

Some of these articles can be found in the microfilm at the Oregon State Library in Salem. Gene Newcombe has been helpful in finding some of the articles In the Corvallis Public Library or in the museum. Lee asks for one or two volunteers to do the searches in Corvallis and Philomath.

Newsletter - Terri Greene

Articles of interest to genealogists to publish in the newsletter are still needed.

Service Projects

WPA - Danell Aukerman

No report

cemetery-

No report

GT Obituaries - Charlene Talbot

Charlene reports that 700 new names are added to the Gazette Times Index. The index should be finished in May or June.

Surname File-Tonya Rawie

No report

Donation Land Claim Map - Dorothy Burt

No report

Historian - Lee Rudisill

No report

Old Business

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New Business

Ed Stratton brought up a new program by Sun Microsystems: Open Office.Org. that compares favorably with Microsoft Word. He also discussed the advantages of Sandisc Cruiser, (a USB plug-in.)

It was announced that display units will be placed in the library for material on the Benton County Genealogical Society.

Announcements

There will be a program at 2:00 p.m. today at the Philomath Community Library: "The Haunting War, An American Tragedy Revisited."

Faye Abraham submitted a letter of resignation as President.

The next board meeting will be Monday, February 29, 2006 The next general meeting will be Saturday, March 11, 2006 The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kathleen Coan Secretary

Additions or Corrections: