

**Minutes of the Benton County Genealogical Society General Meeting  
13 March 1999**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Ken Beilman. The number of members present were \_\_\_\_.

**Guests - Visitors and New Members were introduced**

**Minutes - Terri Greene**

- The minutes of the general meeting of 13 Feb 1998, taken by Charlene Talbot in the absence of Terri Greene, were read and accepted.

**Treasurer's Report - Gene Newcomb**

- Jan balance     \$2130.77  
  Feb balance     \$2208.58  
  Net Gain       \$ 77.61

- \$168.00       Dues  
  \$ 36.50       Sale of shelf lists  
  \$ 7.25        Refresh  
  \$ 34.00       CD ROM  
  \$102.52       *Newsletter*

- ½ year report submitted, and we are pretty well on budget.
- Geneology Cruise - Alaska or Mexican Rivera
- Membership tags - green sticker = paid for 1999
- 24-25 paid for but have no name tags and which needs to be green stickered to.
- Charlene Talbot starting a list for those who don't have name tags.

**Library - Jean Grube**

- Shelf lists are available for \$2.50
- Family group and ancestry charts are for sale.
- #9 envelopes are available
- Inventory - Family Crest/names, clippings, and wills.
- Jean Grube must leave library early today and needs the books to be checked out early.

**Merchandising - Damaris Reynolds**

- Christmas auction and sale
  - Hold at the November meeting instead of December. Include announcement in the bazaar sale brochure in the Gazette Times.
  - Fun meeting.
  - Need to contact Ted Gump to see if available to do auction in November.
  - Bring food products - they go over best. Don't bring stuff not needed.
  - Maybelle will take bread orders.

- Take orders for Old Mill School auction.
- Ken Beilman's wife will take dinner orders.
- Garage Sales - dues pay rent for room and annex and for the newsletter.
  - Damaris Reynolds and Jean Grube are not physically able to do any more.
  - Sales can be held at Damaris' town house and at Jean Grubes.
  - Need to have someone in full charge the week before the sale to place ad in newspaper, get change from the bank, unpack boxes and set up.
  - Pat Coolighan will do pricing.
  - Volunteers needed to work 2 hr shifts on Saturday.
  - Men needed to P/U and to take leftovers to the dump and library.
  - Need volunteers within the next 10 days.
  - Please, NO CLOTHES!

#### **Book Committee - Damaris Reynolds**

- It's hard to find books and CD's that we don't already own.
- Geneology Societies quarterlies - New England Register and the Nutmegger - bring if get so they can be added to the library's collection.
- Percy index on CD ROM to help find articles in Picton.

#### **Hostess - Charlene Talbot**

- Nothing new.

#### **Queries - Maybelle Marching**

- Helping Tim with E-mail queries.
- Found:
  - Carwoods
    - What happens when a doctor passes away? Records are destroyed or another doctor takes them over. Medical society can tell who has records.
    - Alice Barr died.
  - John Wilmont Bell
    - Died 1899. Looking for records. Suggestion was made to try Larry Bell on N. 9th Street. Bell in yard. Heritage. Donation land claim - originally purchased by Dr. Howard.
  - Robert C. Head
    - Benton Democratic Newspaper 1871
    - Week of 9/18/1874 the Corvallis Gazette Times reported involvment in state accident on the summit of Elk Mountain. Last recorded article on him.
    - Newport was still part of Benton Co. In 1874.
- Lee Gentemann has free time. Took Browning's Index to Marriages in Benton County and found missing names and is going thru archives and adding - putting together supplement.
- Possible to have Lee Gentemann do program (with help).

#### **Newsletter - Dorothy Burt**

- Needs stories for the newsletter, especially those that can be e-mailed.

- E-mail address for Dorothy and Janice are:
  - DGBURT@PIONEER.NET
  - JBARC@PIONEER.NET
- Charlene Talbot is working on the new e-mail list.

**WPA Project/Service Projects - Danelle Aukerman**

Not present

- Nothing new. Currently not working on WPA project.

**Membership - Leila Crawford**

Not present.

- new stickers/labels for new members.
- List had errors and Dave Kreibs is fixing it.
- New list in library

**BCGS Web Page - Gene Kelsey**

No report.

**Old Business:**

None reported

**New Business:**

- State Library in Salem, across from the capitol, Genealogy Room, 3rd floor. # of CD's = 33. Not all comprehensive. Selective counties/material.
- Ken Bielman is seeking for documentation on ancestors trip from Bauden to U.S.

**Unfinished Business:**

- 2 microfische readers available for give away. Can be looked at after the meeting. Rachel will take one.
- Two tables are for sale - dining table and a work table (in annex kitchen). If nobody buys them, they will be sold at the garage sale in May. Asking \$30 for the big table
- Question on the **Computer Registry**. What is it for? Has the need for it passed by? What to go into when get on computer? Appears effort to maintain it is more than need. Should let die Registry will be in the library for cross reference/recommendations. Put notes in newsletter..

**Classes:** No report.

**Program:**

- March program
  - Separate into groups of interest.
    - Jean Grube will lead group on military conflicts. (Revolutionary War)
    - Dorothy Burt will facilitate group on computers in the big room.
    - Damaris Reynolds will lead group on NY/New England.
- April program will feature Mary Gallagher - Identify and preserve family items for future.

- May program: Lois Meeser - Reliving the Lewis and Clart Expedition.  
The next general meeting will be held 10 April 1999.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Terri Greene, Secretary  
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GN - email list  
Maybelle - make 2 sweet  
rolls.

min read & approved w/  
Chaps