

Meeting: May 12, Mid Valley Genealogical Society.

The May meeting of the Mid-Valley Genealogical Society was called to order by 2nd Vice President, Lee Rudisill.

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

\$ 554.84 (corrected)

The treasurer reported a balance in the General Fund of ~~\$ 570.44~~ and a balance of \$18.55 in the Petty Cash Fund.

Vice President, Rudisill acknowledged that the limited attendance precluded having a regular business meeting and the time was used for announcements and members sharing items of genealogical interest as follows:

1. Becky Kiger announced the upcoming meeting of the Portland Forum (10am-6pm May 16th.) where they annually have sales of genealogical materials, ~~and~~ information seminars and host an open library for research. Becky ~~was~~^{would} be attending and offered ride space for anyone interested.

2. Danelle Knight mentioned the establishment of the Salt Lake City Family File and its call for family group sheet materials.

3. Ted Gump shared his experience in exercising patience and not giving up on your research. Careful reading of such periodicals as The Genealogical Helper can be rewarding. ~~to~~ ~~be discovered~~. A book on the Gump family offered in a recent magazine provided him some insights on his ancestors while allowing him to tie up some loose ends and expand

on the authors research.

4. Edna Wiese called to our attention the displays of historic and genealogical interest currently showing downtown. She especially wanted us to be aware of the award-winning ceramics made by one of our charter members, Celia Cook. Celia is a resident at the ~~Heart-of-the-Valley~~ Care center ^{Corvallis}.
5. Lee Rudisill showed us a sample microfiche typical of the new offering ~~of~~ from the Index Publishing Co. of Salt Lake City specializing in census index collections. Lee also offered use of her personal fiche reader to members.
6. Several announcements of local seminars and workshops were made.

Our program consisted of a most interesting and informative talk by Mrs Gordon Sitton of Corvallis. She related her experiences in research at Salt Lake City, ~~and Scotland, Ireland~~ and Australia. Her excellent organization skills and sufficient time spent "doing ~~your~~ homework" allowed her access to serious research materials which would have been unavailable to anyone showing less preparation. In fact, one of her key comments was that unless you've done your homework, i.e. made ~~right~~ proper use of Salt Lake Library don't trot off to Europe... you're absolutely waisting your money!

Respectfully submitted,
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