

**THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY**  
**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Saturday, November 8, 2008**

**Minutes – Linda Olsen**

Dave welcomed the many members and guests present today. The minutes of the last general meeting were read and approved.

**Treasurer's Report – Gene Newcomb**

Gene reviewed the income and expenses. We have \$76.34 more income than last month, making a total of \$3,274.13.

**Programs – David Kribs**

November's general meeting and program was held at the Family History Center. Pat Coolican, Sandy Blakeley and Margaret Fox hosted the program and introduced the updates to the Family History Center computer research facility. The December meeting will be our annual Christmas party. The tour of the new storage facility at the museum is scheduled for January. Dave thanked all those who had suggested program topics and volunteered their time.

**Hostess – Betty Brummett**

**Librarian – Sandra Potter**

New books have arrived. See the Scotts Irish books and new CDs which will be ready for check-out very soon. Sandra reviewed several magazines containing such information as best web sites and ideas for researching genealogy.

**Membership – Leila Crawford**

Our membership has remained at 115. Leila also reviewed the \$10 affiliate memberships available through the Benton County Museum. Leila also reminded us of the Santiam and Flavr-Pak labels she collects as a fund raiser. Each label with the UPC symbol is worth 10 cents.

**Library Schedule - Lee Rudisil**

**Publishing –Earle Greig**

**Book Committee - Damaris Reynolds**

**Queries -**

**Newsletter – Teri Greene**

Teri needs help typing the newsletter, and two volunteers, Billee Hoornbeek and Susan Hayes, offered to help. Teri reviews many other genealogy societies' newsletters and announcements to select interesting articles for our newsletter. If you have anything of genealogical interest that you would like to see published in our newsletter, send it to Teri. See Teri's e-mail address and phone number on the back of the BCGS newsletter. Teri announced that the next Oregon Genealogy Society program is scheduled on November 22 in Eugene.

**Service Projects**

**Benton County GenWeb page – Danell Aukerman/Ron and Linda Olsen**

Updates for the web pages:

**GT Obituaries/Newspaper Project – Charlene Talbot/Linda Olsen**

Surname File – Tonya Rawie

Donation Land Claim Map – Dorothy Burt

Historian – Lee Rudisill

**Old Business**

Swearing in of officers will take place at the December meeting. Selected officers voted on at the November meeting are as follows:

Co-Presidents: ..... Bill Gleaves and Margaret Fox

Co-1st Vice Presidents: .....Dave Kribs and Faye Abraham

Co-2nd Vice Presidents: .....Dean Johnson and Charlene Talbot

Secretary- Board Meetings: .. Leila Crawford

Secretary-General Meetings:.. Linda Olsen

Treasurer: .....Gene Newcomb

Co-Librarians: ..... Sandra Potter and (need a volunteer)

Membership: ..... Leila Crawford

Newsletter Editor: ..... Teri Greene with help from Billee Hoornbeck and Susan Hayes

Publishing:..... Earle Greig

Bill Gleaves was volunteered to be chairman of the Christmas Party. Teri suggested that we save the Christmas raffle items until February to give us more time to sell raffle tickets.

**New Business**

Discussion surrounded finding ways to discover what countries and/or surnames members are researching. Susan Hayes suggested adding a space on the membership form for members to write in the surnames they are researching.

Searching for a new place to hold our general meetings was also discussed. Members generally agreed that the acoustics in our current meeting room make it difficult to hear. A smaller meeting room seems more congenial and may be easier to heat. Leila will look into other possible meeting rooms.

**Health and Welfare:**

**Announcements**

The next Board meeting will be December 1, 2008

The next General meeting will be December 13, 2008

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Olsen, Co-secretary