## THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Saturday, November 10, 2012

Call to Order – President Danell Danell welcomed members.

Minutes – Linda The minutes of the 13 October 2012 meeting were distributed by e-mail, reviewed and approved by members present.

#### **Reports of Officers and Committees:**

President - Danell No report

Past President - Margaret
No report

Vice President / Programs - Fave

Charles Dunham, Judy Juntunen, and Margaret Fox will speak on local resources for genealogical research for our November program. A Question and Answer time will follow their presentations.

December will be our annual Holiday Auction and party. Bring a small gift such as baked items or holiday related gifts, books, DVDs, or offer personal services to be auctioned. Also bring a dish to share for the potluck party following the auction. Ted Gump will serve as our Auctioneer as he has done for many years. An assistant to help with the auction is needed. Contact Faye if you would like to help with this fun event.

As the Annex currently has no refrigerator, the museum has offered the use of their refrigerator for party food items.

**Treasurer / Finance Committee - Margaret** 

<u>Treasurer</u>: Margaret reported our current balance is at \$4,586.76. She reviewed the current budget sheet and monthly report.

Membership: - Mary Jo - No report

Public Relations:

**Publication committee** 

Books for Sale: Judy - No new book sales.

Newsletter: Margaret brought other genealogical societies' newsletters to share and review.

Margaret also announced a Scholarly Symposium on the Civil War at the Smithsonian titled

Astride Two Ages: Technology and the Civil War.

To view this archived presentation, go to:

http://www.ustream.tv/channel/smithsonian-On-UStream-TV

Brochures: Mary Jo

Posters: No posters will be needed for the December Auction and party.

Web pages: http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orbentgs/ Our Society Web Page

http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~orbenton/ Benton Co., OR, Gen Web Page

Danell is working on a new web page for our society. When it's finished, you will be able to type in a name and see where we have information for that person.

**Library Committee - Grace** 

<u>Librarian</u>: Grace brought two new books from the library to display. <u>Evidence Explained - How to Cite Your Sources</u> is a comprehensive tome on how to cite your sources. A new library book on Irish Quakers has just arrived.

Library staff: No report

Historian:

<u>Photographer:</u> Faye sends photos to the historian for the society scrapbook and some photos are used in the newsletter.

#### Other

#### **Unfinished Business**

- 1. Grace will continue to check on the availability of the Philomath Reader Board to display our meeting time and place.
- 2. A discussion of ways to honor past members who have made significant contributions to help make our society successful developed into ideas using a scrapbook of remembrance. Then the discussion evolved into linking a list of honored past members to the new web page. A motion was made and carried to honor past members by posting their names on the new web site. Contact Faye if you have information on past members who should be honored.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Susan Van Laere was appointed the new Librarian with unanimous approval.
- 2. Ballots to vote for next year's officers were distributed during today's General Meeting. The By-Laws state "...Voting may be either mailed in or hand delivered. Ballots must be received at or before the December meeting..." There's still time to vote. A ballot was attached to the November newsletter or pick up a ballot at the December General Meeting.
- 2. A nominee is needed to fill the vice-president position. Without a vice-president, we do not have a program chair.
- 3. Membership dues for 2013 are now being accepted.
- 4. Margaret thanked members for their military service on this Veterans Day holiday weekend. Three members present, Ted, Bill, and Ellen, told about their active military service days.

**Next Meeting** 

The next Board meeting will be Saturday, December 8, 2012, at 9:00am in the Annex.

The next General meeting will be Saturday, December 8, 2012, at 10:00am in the church social hall.

#### Adjournment to Program

Respectfully submitted, Linda Olsen, Secretary

# Benton County Genealogical Society presents

### Local Facilities that offer Genealogy Research Materials and Aids

- \* Charles Dunham, Adult Services Librarian, Corvallis-Benton County Public Library
- \* Judy Juntunen, retired research librarian, Benton
  County Historical Society and Museum; and
- \* Margaret Fox, consultant, Corvallis Family History

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will discuss resources available for the family researcher, including data that can be requested from other sources and loaned through the different local facilities. Following individual presentations, the speakers will participate in an open Q&A session.

When and Where: Saturday, November 10, 2012, 11:00 am - 12:00 noon, Social Hall, College United Methodist Church, 1123 Main Street, Philomath. Visitors may join members for refreshments in the society's library located in the annex of the Benton County Historical Museum, 1101 Main Street, following the presentation. The library will be open to the public from noon to 3 p.m.