

THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Saturday, October 13, 2007

Minutes – Linda Olsen

Bill opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. The minutes of the last general meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report – Gene Newcomb

Gene reported the income and expenses for September. Our previous balance was \$3,652.31 and the current balance is \$3,799.10.

Programs – David Kribs

Dave reviewed our next several programs: Marlene McDonald will speak on local history honoring Philomath's 125th celebration. Her book Philomath and the Marys River Settlement will be available for sale next Saturday at the museum. Mary Gallagher will present the program in November on the museum resources and our annual Christmas party will take place at the December meeting.

Hostess – Betty Brummett

Librarian – Sandra Potter

Sandra announced that some missing items from the BCGS library have been found. She has placed the CD's in numerical order to make information easier to find. There is also a list by category next to the CD file. Dave said the computer in the library is working if you push the right buttons.

Membership – Leila Crawford

Leila reported that we have 5 new members making 118 total so far. Dorothy Brandner, a new member attending the meeting, was recognized.

Library Schedule - Lee Rudisil

Publishing – Danell Aukerman

Book Committee - Damaris Reynolds

Damaris told about several new books she has ordered for the library on Tracing Irish ancestry, Spanish roots, Georgia records and German passenger lists from 1850. This led to a discussion on the Scotch Irish and their ancestry. Damaris mentioned that she has books which are good reading for background information but not strictly genealogical books.

Queries - Danell Aukerman

Newsletter – Teri Greene

Teri is always looking for articles and stories related to genealogy to publish in the newsletter. She is open to suggestions. If you send her e-mail, be sure to use BCGS in the subject line.

Bill encouraged everyone who could to receive their newsletter via e-mail. It really saves on resources and our society expenses.

Service Projects

WPA – Danelle Aukerman

Cemetery Project --

GT Obituaries/Newspaper Project – Charlene Talbot/Linda Olsen

Surname File – Tonya Rawie

Donation Land Claim Map – Dorothy Burt

Historian – Lee Rudisill

Old Business

New Business

Bill announced that the same budget was accepted at the board meeting. The Annex is fenced off today, so we will have cookies and coffee in the meeting room following today's program.

The painting party at the Annex is rescheduled for October 23rd at 9:00am. Everyone is encouraged to come and help paint the interior of the Annex.

Gene spoke about the Sorenson DNA kits which will be available for free and this led to further discussion on DNA. Teri collected names of those interested in using the kits.

Tonya Rawie may be returning to our area soon. Members are looking forward to her renewed participation in our society. Previously, she worked on our Ancestry files. All members are urged to submit their ancestry files to be included in the society's files.

Bill asked if anyone was interested in becoming a society officer and explained the idea of co-officers as a way to divide up the responsibilities. New officers will be selected soon.

Health and Welfare:

Best wishes for continued good health are extended to Jean Grube and Charlene Talbot.

Announcements

The next Board meeting will be Monday, October 29, 2007

The next General meeting will be Saturday, November 10, 2007

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Olsen, Co-secretary