

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

September 14, 1985

The September meeting of the Mid-Valley Genealogical Society was called to order by the President, Valerie Nichols.

Lewis Sternberg (754-1397) gave an interesting presentation on his Kaypro computer about the genealogy program he is creating. Questions and suggestions were welcomed. He is also going to develop it for the Commodore and Apple computers; persons who wished to try it out on their home computers were asked to leave their names.

The minutes of the June meeting were read and approved.

The President reported that the July research afternoon had had to be cancelled due to a death of a church member. Few were present in August.

The Treasurer, Margaret Abel, reported a balance of \$481.25 in the General Fund and \$21.00 in Petty Cash.

Mention was made of the personal library material brought in; and also of the "for sale" items--take them home, read them, and bring them back for resale.

Chuck Dodge, Chairman of the Book Committee, reported on some new catalogs received.

The program for October is not yet known--neither the President nor Vice President will be at the October meeting.

Norman Barnes reported on the distribution of the Society's pamphlets.

New members and visitors:

Tom Bucola - researching Sicily and Virginia

Lee Robertson - researching most states and many names

Nora Lamb DeFrates - new member from Molalla (not present)

Governor Atiyeh has declared September as Genealogy Month in Oregon--the proclamation was shown.

One query was received concerning Steven Howell and Electra Belknap Howell.

The President summarized various brochures received regarding seminars, etc.

Audrey Broadley reported that the address of the new Eugene Society Library is 329 W. 13th Street, Suite D, Eugene.

The President thanked the Club for the pin which they had presented her.

Velma Parsons reminded us that both Celia Coon and Lotta Chapman, sisters and charter members of the Mid-Valley Genealogical Society, had passed away this past spring and summer. The secretary is to write notes from the Club.

The President called on various members of the Society to speak of their research and accomplishments.

Charles Dodge visited Massachusetts--he exhibited town maps and reported on his visit to cemeteries and the New England Historic and Genealogical Society Library.

Mildred Bradley showed us two books which she and her sisters have researched and compiled--going back to their 8th great-grandparents. She also told us of family reunions they will attend next summer.

Audrey Broadley has a new family name, determined from Civil War pension papers. Her ancestress was not a Soaper, but a Dudley.

Valerie Nichols showed us a "copy card" available from the OSU Kerr Library--\$5.00 will buy 100 copies at certain machines. It is also available in larger denominations. Joan Mueller reported that the same system is in use at the Oregon State Library (borrow the card from the Librarian).

There was a discussion of archival storage materials available locally at the Shutterbug and Horner Museum.

The work copy of the Index to Oregon Donation Land Claims has been xeroxed and will be added to our library.

Valerie exhibited a Betsy Ross scarf with signatures of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence, and also an Amish doll.

Elizabeth Aiken and Joan Harris travelled to Texas and Alabama during the summer.

Mildred Hawkins' new book, "The Blairs of Drummond", has been published and a copy purchased for the library. Mildred told us that her research for the book had been in

unpublished and family records--tracing a Scottish immigrant family for six generations. She will autograph the Society's copy.

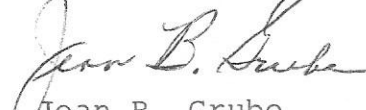
Virginia Hooey showed large genealogical charts which she has prepared, on which the children in each family are listed.

Joan Mueller exhibited the two volumes she has published of the descendants of her great-grandparents--some 1,000 pages.

John Matus(c)zak gave a short report on this trip to Europe this past summer. It will be featured at a forthcoming meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Jean B. Grube
Secretary