

BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY GENERAL MEETING NOTES

Saturday, February 8, 2020

Call to Order

Previous Meeting Minutes Acceptance: Yes Yes w/ edits

Next Board Meeting: Monday March 9, 2020 at the Philomath Library

Next General Meeting: Saturday, March 14, 2020, @ Benton County Historical Museum (upstairs)

Officer and Committee Reports

President (George)

- After 2 years of volunteering Ann Bateman is retiring from doing our newsletter this coming June. We are looking for someone to take on these duties starting next Fall. See George if you or someone you know is interested.
- Linda has had to step back from her program duties to due to a health issue. We are looking for someone who can take on these duties. See George if you or someone you know is interested.
- On the BCGS home page George has added a link to [Historic and Vital Records by State](#), [Oregon Archival Records](#), and [Benton County Records Inventory](#) provided by today's speaker.

Treasurer (Lois)

Society Balance:	\$6184.12
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- We are ahead \$373.36 so far this year.

Membership (Connie)

Current Membership:	49
Lifetime Membership	2

- We are still looking for greeters for our general meetings. It is a good way to get to know folks. A list is being passed around to sign up to be a greeter.

Library/Writers Group (Sue)

- Mary Dean sent a survey around to see what books folks would like to see in our library. The results from the survey are (categories):
 1. Problem solvers, brick walls, tracing elusive ancestors
 2. (tie) Great Migration - Immigrants to New England 1620 - 1640.
Using Google to Find Ancestors
 3. New England States
 4. (tie) Military Records
How to find ancestors in newspapers
 5. (tie) Preserving family photos
Oregon, local information
Northern Ireland

Programs (Sue for Linda)

- The May speaker would like input into what specifically we would like to hear about the Civil War. Sue is passing around a list to put down your preferences for the May program.

Program Schedule

Date	Speaker	Topic
8-Feb-2020	James Morales	Courthouse Records
14-Mar-2020	Tom O'Brien	Family Search: Finding Digital Records
11-Apr-2020		BCGS Genealogy Software Fair
9-May-2020		TBD
13-Jun-2020		Potluck
12-Sep-2020		Gathering Back Together & Stories
10-Oct-2020	Patti Waitman-Ingebretsen	Stories of her Great Gandfather and Local Benton County H
14-Nov-2020	Pam Vestal	How to Write Ancestral Stories Your Relatives Will Want to Read
12-Dec-2020		Silent Auction and Potluck

Business

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Lois is looking for a volunteer for the Library to take on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. She is passing around a sign up list.

Other/Announcements

- None

Volunteers Needed To:

Need	Frequency	Contact
Write a program review	Once a year	
Provide refreshments	Once a year	Pegge
Manage our Facebook page	Once a month	Sue
Work on a temporary Project in the BCGS Library	As needed	Sue
Take Photos at our gatherings	As needed	Linda

General Information

[Benton County Genealogical Society \(BCGS\) Website](#)

[BCGS Newsletters](#)

[BCGS Facebook Page](#)

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbi White, Secretary