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Benton County Genealogical Society
General Meeting Minutes - 10:30am - Noon, Museum, Nov 12, 2022
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President:
George called the meeting to order and welcomed 7 guests and welcomed members to our meeting today. George advertised our November program in several online newspapers as well as our BCGS website. Our December meeting will be a potluck at the Annex. Please send your dues for 2023 by January 1, 2023.
We will take nominations for new officers at the next meeting.

Vice President: Kathryn asked for more volunteers to bring snacks following our meetings. She also talked about Nancy Loe as potential speaker.

Treasurer: Lois reported that she paid the $800 per year donation to the museum. She announced that the Audit Committee had met and that everything was in order.

Membership: Connie reported we have 44 paid memberships as of today and about 27 members in attendance.

Library: Liza announced that Danell Aukerman has offered to donate 300 genealogy books to our society. Any books we do not keep will be offered to Linn County genealogical societies in Albany, Sweet Home and Lebanon. Liza will present ideas about how the book donation will be organized at our next meeting.

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Webmaster: George posted the Nov Newsletter on our BCGS website.

Program: **The Civil War Soldier**

Capt. Stevens presented a very informative and entertaining program on the Civil War soldier. He brought many artefacts to display, books, examples of food the soldiers ate and several rifles. His family has a long history of military service and began his talk with his family genealogy. Then he talked about the Civil War soldier including causes of the Civil War and the differences between the soldiers of the North and the South. He told a story about how soldiers too young to serve enlisted by saying they were 18 yrs when they were not by writing the number 18 on a piece of paper and putting it in their shoe. When asked how old they were, they said they were "over 18yrs". Not exactly truthful, but it makes a good story.

Members were invited to the Annex for refreshments following the program.

Respectfully Submitted
Secretary, Linda Olsen