

1971 - 1989

Mid-Valley Genealogical Society

**General Meeting Minutes and
Board Meeting Minutes**

**Officers and Appointed Positions
and names of others who have served
the society**

MINUTES OF THE MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

8 March 1975

Meeting was called to order at 1:10 PM.

Minutes were read and approved.

Treasurers report read. \$188. balance at meeting time last month.
Dues received \$38. and some income from coffee dish and sale of kits.
Balance to date after expenses \$212.14.

Reported that the Society now has 55 members.

Books ordered and received and found faulty by the several members who examined them and wrote comments. A letter was sent to the company with the criticisms and either return privileges or an adjustment requested. To date, there has been no answer.

Mention made of Arlene Ekle seminar 15 April LBCC Forum room no 113 7-10 PM with a charge of \$3. and subject will be census records and how to use the various types besides the Federal.

Workshop study areas set up so that members having pertinent material to share will know when to bring them to share but study is not limited to these areas, only.

Hazel Beals wishes to make a loose type notebook of 7 generation charts of those members who wish to fill these out for her. This will not be the property of the Society. However it is to be examined by members to aid them in finding those searching related names. These 7 generation charts will cost 3 cents apiece.

A query list by members in a group exchange may help each other.

A motion was made and passed to accept Xeroed All Name Indexes of volume one of the Gazette Times 3 May 1909-3 May 1910 and compiled by Susan Taylor with all names of members and officers included and to be used as one of the Mid-Valley Genealogical Society's Bi-Centennial projects. There are to be four copies made at Susan Taylor's expense and entered into the Corvallis Library; the OSU library; the State Library and the Historical (State) collection.

There was some discussion of the display case Corvallis Library but this was not resolved.

The meeting adjourned with a coffee break and then Ianthe Smith gave an interesting talk on her family history.

Susan Taylor, Secretary.

subject to change

Corvallis, Oregon 1977

MIDVALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Program Schedule

- Jan. 8 Book Review (5 Min) Elizabeth Akin
"Material for Research" Harriet Moore
- Feb. 12 Book Review Margaret Abell
"Research in British Isles, and Midwear"
Bessie Murphy
- March 12 "Writing Personal History"
Betty Wilson
- April 9 Panel discussion:
"Preparing your manuscript"
(Leader & members)
(program to be completed) later)
- May 14 "Under these Roofs" Pictures of early Oregon
by Cy Wright & Herbert Yenne
- June 11 Book Review: ?
"Genealogical magazines & Family Publication"
Leader - ?
- July no meeting
- August 13 Picnic - Meet with other groups
(Albany, Lebanon, Sweet Home)
Maybe at Brownsville
- Sept. 10 "Show & Tell" Members reporting
Maj. E.M. Beard - Chr.
- Oct. 8 Book Review:
"Professional Genealogists".
Help & Prices. Research by regions.
Leader:
- Nov. 12 Book Review:
Report of activities of Other Societies
Election of Officers
- Dec. 10 Christmas Rea and Reception
Installation of Officers
Program:

NEWS

10 March 1981

For Immediate Release:

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Corvallis, Oregon

GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEET

The regular monthly meeting of the MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY will be held on Saturday March 14th in the Elizabeth Richie Room of the Corvallis Public Library, 645 NW Monroe, Corvallis.

The Society will begin at 10 am with a program for beginners conducted by ELIZABETH AKIN. There will also be a research session for the regular membership.

A business meeting will be held at 1 pm followed by a book auction

The main program will held at 2 pm and will be on the subject: "ONE ROOM SCHOOLS OF BENTON COUNTY." MRS. MARLENE MacDONALD will present this program. RALPH VAN CLEAVE will have a special display of photos of Benton County schools. The membership is encouraged to bring photographs of their own schools.

All residents of the Mid-Willamette Valley are invited to attend these events.

MRS. RICHARD S. NICHOLS
940 NW Westwood Place
Corvallis, Oregon
753-3208

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGY SOCIETY --- PROGRAM 1981

JANUARY: Saturday the 10th

- 10:00 a.m. -- Beginners Class
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. -- Research Session with emphasis on the following areas: (States from old list)

FEBRUARY: Saturday the 14th

- 10:00 a.m. -- Beginners Class
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. -- Research Session: Oregon, Washington, California, Nevada, Idaho, Alaska.
- 1:00 p.m. -- Announcements

MARCH: Saturday the 14th

- 10:00 a.m. -- Beginners Class and Research Session
- 1:00 -- 2:00 p.m. -- Business meeting and book auction
- 2:00 p.m. -- Program: "One Room Schools of Benton County", speaker will be Marlene MacDonal of Philomath. A special display by Ralph Van Cleave of his photographs of Benton County Schools. Members are asked to bring photos of their schools for display.

APRIL: Saturday the 11th

- 10:00 a.m. -- Beginners Class
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. -- Research Session: Ohio, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Wisconsin, Foreign Countries, Surnames, General Topics, United States, U.S. Bibliography, How To Books.
- 1:00 p.m. -- Announcements

MAY: Saturday the 9th

- 10:00 a.m. -- Beginners Class
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. -- Research Session: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Virginia, West Virginia.
- 1:00 p.m. -- Announcements

JUNE: Saturday the 13th

- 10:00 a.m. -- Beginners Class and Research Session
- 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. -- Business meeting and book auction
- 2:00 p.m. -- Program: "Researching Native American Ancestors", speaker will be Cal D. Frazier of Albany. Demonstration of Native American Dances by Lance Nichols.

SEPTEMBER: Saturday the 12th

- 10:00 a.m. -- Beginners Class and Research Session
- 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. -- Business meeting and book auction
- 2:00 p.m. -- Program: Members report on summer projects.

OCTOBER: Saturday the 10th

- 10:00 a.m. -- Beginners Class
- 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. -- Research Session: Connecticut, Delaware, Kentucky, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont, New England.
- 1:00 p.m. -- Announcements

NOVEMBER: Saturday the 14th

10:00 a. m. -- Beginners Class

10:00 a. m. - 2:00 p. m. -- Research Session: Alabama, Georgia, Florida,
Louisiana, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and
U. S. Southern.

2:00 p. m. -- Business meeting and Election of Officers

DECEMBER: Saturday the 14th

10:00 a. m. -- Beginners Class and Research Session

1:00 p. m. -- Business meeting. Installation of Officers. Tasting Tea.

NOTE: It would be appreciated if members would be willing to share any personal resource material that they have. The material would remain in the room during the research sessions, unless other arrangements are made with the owner.

RULES FOR CHECKING-OUT GENEALOGY SOCIETY MATERIALS:

- 1) Books may be checked out only by members.
- 2) A maximum of five (5) books may be checked-out for the period of one (1) month.
- 3) Books need to be returned by 11:00 a. m. , so that they are available for use by other members.
- 4) Check out times will be: 12:30 - 1:00 p. m. on days when there is a program.
2:30 - 3:00 p. m. during the all-day research sessions.

The Beginning

**First officers Fall of 1971-1974 Mid-Valley Genealogical Society
from Virginia Hoeye's written account of the First 25 years.**

First officers in the fall of 1971 also served through 1972.

President _____ Velma Parsons
Vice President _____ Celia Wilson Coon
Secretary/Treasurer _____ Josephine Zadina
Directors:
Hazel A. Beals
Harriet Moore
Bernice Robison

Elected officers for 1973

President _____ Erma Lee Brown
Vice President _____ Marjorie Burianek
Secretary/Treasurer _____ Elizabeth Akin

No Directors mentioned for 1973

Officers for 1974

President _____ Mildred Hawkins
1st Vice President _____ Susan Taylor
2nd Vice President _____ Edna Wiese
Secretary _____ Betty Moore
Treasurer _____ Dorothy Blust

The First list of Committee Chairs:

Historian, Celia Coon; **Librarian**, Francis Hallam; **Publicity**, E. Mitch Beard;
Surname File, Elizabeth Akin; **Phone**, Ruby Boyes and Marjorie Burianek

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Containing society meeting and board minutes

1974

A single copy of a green Christmas Newsletter mailed to the Mid-Valley Genealogical Society members in December 1974 is all that remains in this section. It lists new officers for 1975. Signed by President Mildred Hawkins

1975

President	Elizabeth Akin
1 st Vice President	Mildred Hawkins
2 nd Vice President	Ruby Boyes
Secretary	Susan Taylor
Treasurer	Edna Wiese
Projects Committee	Velma Parsons & Joan Meuller

Edith Hughes acting Secretary February 1975

Elsie Eltzroth acting Secretary May 1975

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1976

President	Mildred Hawkins
1 st Vice President	Velma Parsons, Programs
2 nd Vice President	Edna Wiese, Hospitality
Treasurer	Ted Gump
Secretary	Merthal McConnel,
Secretary Pro Tem	Roberta Ebert & Edith M. Hughes
Scrapbook	La Rea Gump & Ceila Coon
Directors	Elizabeth Akin & Mr. L. V. Stryker Jr.

Book Committee to plan for new books:

Elizabeth Akin, appointed temporary chairman, Edna Wiese, Ted Gump, Ralph Van Cleave & Frances Hallam

Program January 10, 1976: The Monteith House, Albany, presented by Barbara Asai of Monteith Historical Society

Other programs: Bus tour to see the 1877 Nash Trail, Keith Peterson from Ball Studio showed slides of 100 yrs in Corvallis, and a tour of the Horner Museum.

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1977

President	Theodore Gump
1 st Vice President	Clara Jans
2 nd Vice President	Valerie Nichols
Secretary	Edith Hughs pro tem (Peggy Mason)?
Treasurer	Vernon Stryker

Only minutes in this section of the notebook were for February 1977. A list of potential programs for 1977 were included.

1978

President	Theodore Gump
Vice President	Scott Clevenger
Secretary	Margery Mullens pro tem
Treasurer	Mr. Van Cleve & Mr. Stryker
Book Chairman	Edna Wiese

This meeting was held in the Ritchie Room of the Corvallis Library. Mr. Van Cleve is filling in for Mr. Stryker and Mr. Gump will assist Mr Stryker during the next year.

New Members: Ruth Musil, Helen McKee, Fae Farrier, Katherine Holmes, Mabelle Martsching

1979

President	Pamela Strahan
1 st Vice President	Velma Parsons
2 nd Vice President	Margaret Abell
Secretary	Clara J. Jans
Treasurer	Mr. L. V. Stryker

Program: May 12, 1979, Ritchie Room of the Corvallis Public Library. Mrs. Virginia Hoeye set up a display of old newspaper clippings she had soaked in a solution of :

1 quart club soda & 2 T Milk of Magnesium solution
Mix & let set overnight, soak single sheets, dry on towels.

Clippings do not yellow or become brittle after this treatment.

Other possible programs for the future: Merna Potts could present a class on how to write autobiographies. Oral History by Harriet Moore. Hobbies

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2 nd Vice President	Margaret Abell
Secretary	Mrs. Dee Charles
Treasurer	Mr. L. V. Stryker
scrapbook	Mrs. Gump

New Members January 1980: Cal Frazier, Jean Grube, Billie Web

New Members February 1980: Dorothy Jones, Liza Wilson, Ann Kimberling

1981

President	Pamela Frazier
1 st Vice President	Valerie Nichols, Programs
2 nd Vice President	Mrs Becky Kiger, Hostess
Secretary	Frances Hallam
Treasurer	Mr. L. V. Stryker

Dec 1981: Mr. Stryker has volunteered to build a cabinet for our society meeting in The First Christian Church at 602 S. W. Madison, Corvallis, Oregon. Rent is \$5 per month.

1982

President	Charles Dodge
1 st Vice President	Rebecca Kiger, Programs
2 nd Vice President	Audrey Broadly, Hostess
Librarian	Frances Causbey
Treasurer	Jean Grube
Secretary	Mary Jane Bailey

Program April 1982: Founders Day (Founders of our Society).

Those Attending: Velma Parsons, Mary Pepper, Hazel Beals, Bernice Robison, Edna Wiese, Harriet More, Clara Jane, Josephine Zadina, Joan Mueller, Mildred Hawkins.

Not present: Norma Pennington, Cecila Coon, Lotta Chapman, Bessie Murphy, Edith Hughes.

These Charter members were assembled to give a short history of the society and spoke on their respective topics. See next page.

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Joan Mueller _____	Indexing of the GT
Mildred Hawkins _____	Past Seminars
Velma Parsons _____	How it all started
Elizabeth Akin _____	Displays and field trips
Valerie Nichols _____	Past Programs
Edna Wiese _____	Building our library

Ted Gump presented an atlas to the society from Fayette County, Pennsylvania

1983

President	Major Eugene Beard
1 st Vice President	Rebecca Kiger, Programs
2 nd Vice President	Irene Smith, Hostess
Secretary	Martha Marsh
Treasurer	Jean Grube
Book Committee	Jean Grube, John Matuzak, Pam Frazier & Elizabeth Akin

Audrey Broadley conducted a Beginners Genealogy class held from 10:30am till 1:00pm. The regular meeting followed at 1:00pm

1984

President	Valerie Nichols
1 st Vice President	Velma Parsons
2 nd Vice President	Lee Rudisill
Secretary	Martha Marsh
Treasurer	Margaret Abell
Librarian	Margaret Hays
Assistant Librarians	Marceille Engberg & Frances Causbie

April 1984: Danell announced she had completed the 5 generation chart.
Program: Edna Wiese read stories from her "Write Your Own Story Class."

1985

President	Valerie Nichols
1 st Vice President	Ted Gump
2 nd Vice President	Lee Rudisill
Assistant Vice President	Becky Kiger
Secretary	Jean Grube
Treasurer	Margaret Abell
Librarian	Margaret Hays

Program March 1985: Terry McCormick editor of the "Vintage Clothing Newsletter" and former LBCC teacher gave a most interesting and nostalgic program on vintage clothing.

Program April 1985: Christine Hanson of the Corvallis LDS Library explained the holdings, use, forms and helpful staff to researchers.

Program Oct 1985: Lee Rudisill presented a slide show on Mt. St. Helens. Charles Dodge also showed a slide show on his travels and research in Massachusetts.

1986

President	Becky Kiger
1 st Vice President	Lee Rudisill
2 nd Vice President	Mary Martensen
Secretary	Marceille Engberg
Treasurer	Margaret Abell
Librarian	Margaret Hays

Program: Lee Rudisill showed slides of the boat trip on the Columbia River.

Program: Elizabeth Akin's presentation on "Unusual Findings from Familiar Sources."

Program: Jean Grube will present a program on Land Records.

Edna Wiese and Mildred Hawkins are each teaching classes.

New Members 1986:

September 1986

Mary Ann Rushing

Sarah Berry

Jerry Davis

October 1986

Frank & Billie Grant

Ken & Roberta Moltman

Lucy Axtell

Terry Skidmore

November 1986

Edie Worth

Esther Forsythe

December 1986

Joanne Perry

Janet Williams

1987

President

Becky Kiger

1st Vice President

Jean Grube

2nd Vice President

Damaris Reynolds, Assistant Fern Shaffer

Secretary

Mary Yoke

Treasurer

Margaret Abell

Librarian

Charlotte Marshall, Assistant Margaret Hays

New Members April 1987: Darrel, Zira & Jurinda Kahl, Gertrude Kelsey

March 1987 Elizabeth Akin announced her Beginners Genealogy class for 11 weeks offered at the Senior Center in Albany.

June 1987 there are 320 book in our library!

June 1987 Becky Kiger, Jean Grube, Damaris Reynolds & Edna Wiese have been working on the cemetery project. See newspaper photo and article 1991.

Chairpersons November 1987:

Chuck Dodge _____ Book Committee

Mabelle Martsching ___ Queries

Charlotte Marshall ___ Librarian

Edna Wiese _____ Telephone

Virginia Hoeye _____ Scrapbook

Audrey Broadley _____ Flav'R' Pak

Major Beard _____ Publicity

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1988

President Lee Rudisill
1st Vice President Kyra Kahl
2nd Vice President Damaris Reynolds
Assistant Fern Shaffer
Secretary Mary Yoke
Treasurer John Matuzsak
Librarian Charlotte Marshall
Assistant Margaret Hays

November program: Ted Gump talked about his cross country trip exploring genealogical by ways. He had many helpful tips.

1989

President Ed Stratton
1st Vice President Lee Rudisill
2nd Vice President Damaris Reynolds, Assistant Virginia Koos
Secretary Mary Yoke
Treasurer John Matuzsak
Librarian Betty Swan, Assistant Margaret Hays
Newsletter Becky Kiger

January Program: Dick Milligan from Albany talked about genealogical research.

December Program: Ted Gump volunteered to be the Christmas auctioneer.

New Member: Jeanette Taylor, Jesse Honeycutt, Tom McClanahan, Charles and Mary Bowen

The society had been meeting at the Christian Church. The possibly of using bookshelf storage and a meeting room at the Corvallis Library was discussed.

GENEALOGICAL FORUM OF PORTLAND, OREGON, INC.

ROOM 812, NEIGHBORS OF WOODCRAFT BUILDING
1410 S. W. MORRISON STREET
PORTLAND, OREGON 97205

June 20, 1986

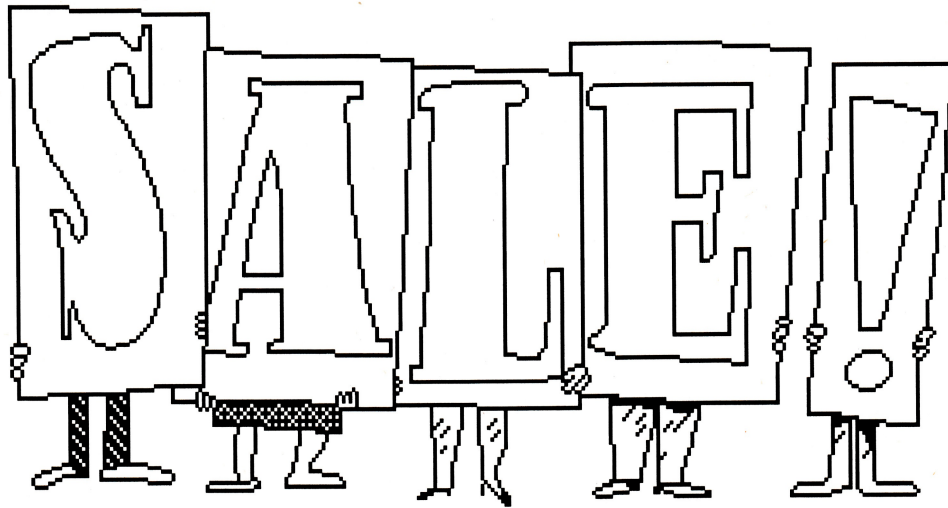
Mid Valley Genealogical Society
Becky Kiger
29687 Tangent Drive
Albany, Oregon 97321

Dear Becky:

The enthusiasm and support of your society in helping with the Oregon 1910 Census Soundex project is greatly appreciated by the Genealogical Forum. This is a tremendous work, one that will be a tool for research by genealogists, researchers and historians and will have a lasting value for years to come.

Thank you for your part. We appreciate all the long hours you had in reading this census and recording it.

Yours truly,
Judy Goldmann
Genealogical Forum Committee for
1910 Census. Judy Goldmann, Chmn



THE MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
PRESENTS

ITS SPRING GARAGE SALE

DOZENS OF ITEMS, INCLUDING MANY BOOKS, LARGE
MIRROR, RV COVER, SHELVES AND OTHER GOODIES

SATURDAY JUNE 4TH FROM 8:00 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM

2020 NW 23RD STREET

PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE GENEALOGICAL LIBRARY
IN THE BENTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY ANNEX