

*MINUTES OF
THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
BOARD MEETING, MONDAY, 8 JANUARY 1996
DAMARIS REYNOLDS HOME*

The meeting was called to order by President Bielman.

Members present: Ken Bielman, Mabelle Martsching, Ron Edwards, Damaris Reynolds, Judy Beals, Jean Grube, Ed Stratton, Becky Kiger, Leila Crawford, Pat Coolican (representing Gene Kelsey, program chairman).

Minutes of the December 4 board meeting were read and approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report:

- *Ron Edwards reported a balance of \$1587.40 as of December 31, 1995.
- *There was discussion surrounding the rent and time of payment of the the annex and of the church. We pay the fees yearly. A one month charge will be deducted from the church fee this year, because it wasn't available for one of our meeting last fall.
- *Three genealogy magazine subscriptions will be renewed.

Program:

- *The January program will be presented by Gene Kelsey, speaking on the Elder hostel program at Salt Lake City.
- *The February program will be the group meetings, as last February.
- *We will celebrate our 25th anniversary in either April or May.
- *Ken Bielman passed out new brochures.

Book Committee:

- *Damaris Reynolds received a catalog from Quintin Publication. It refers to Canadian genealogy, especially French Canadian.
- *The committee will meet again in two weeks.
- *There will be a survey in the next newsletter asking for books requests. It was suggested that time is taken during the general meeting to fill out the survey.

Library:

- *We will need a new library stamp.
- *Directions for volunteer librarians is in a yellow folder on the desk.
- *Three new books were added to the library.

Merchandising:

- *We are still taking items for the thrift shop.

Queries:

- *Maybelle there is a query regarding the Wallace/Stocker line.

Membership:

- *Ed Stratton is working on a new membership list. He will be matching new and renewal payments with membership.

Service Projects:

- *A host/hostess will need one person for the February 10 meeting. The person who volunteers will not need to do clean up.

Newsletter:

- *Ed is working on a new icon for the newsletter and he will be changing the name to represent our new name.
- *The address labels will have a new code identifying membership status.

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- *Danell Aukerman was absent.

New Business:

- *Eugene Beard will need the publicity information for the Gazette-Times FYI section by Tuesday.
- *A \$100 donation was made by Mary Hamlin in the memory of her grandmother who lives in Kansas. Before we purchase an appropriate book, we will seek Mary's opinion about our selection.
- *The *World Family Tree* computer program by Boderlund is urging customers to send in their family history to share with others.
- *There are genealogy resources on the internet.
- *AGLL is sponsoring a genealogy cruise. The seminar will held at sea for seven days beginning March 30. George Schweitzer will be a speaker.
- *The California Genealogy Society will have a *Family Affair* on March 8-9.
- *Oregon death certificates can be obtained through e-mail. Bill has the address.
- *Information received from other genealogy newsletters:
 - A book can be *microwaved* at low for 60 seconds to get rid of lice and silverfish.
 - Post Its* stickies leave a film that can damage paper and photographs.
- *The New England Genealogy Society is trying to promote a genealogy stamp.
- *A letter and business card was received. The sender specializes in Prince Edward Island history.

The next meeting will be February 5, 1996 at Maybelle Martsching's home.

Respectfully submitted,

Leila Crawford, Secretary

Ken announced the committee assignments for 1996 as follows:

Standing Committees:

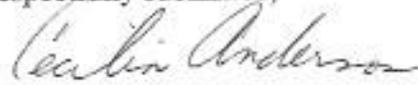
Audit: Bob Tarrant, Joan Phillips
Book Purchases: Damaris Reynolds
Library Scheduling: Lee Rudisill
Pedigree Charts and Surname File: Jim Russell
Public Relations: Mitch Beard
Queries: Mabelle Martsching
Service Projects: Becky Kiger
Society History: Virginia Hoeye

Special Committees:

Budget: Daniel Froehlich, Chm, Sheila Fitzpatrick, Betty Swan
Members' Computer Survey: Joan Mueller
Membership: Danell Aukerman
Merchandising: Damaris Reynolds
Newsletter: Ed Stratton
Norpac Label Collections: Mary Hamlin
By-laws: Gene Newcomb

The next meeting will be January 13.

Respectfully submitted,



Cecilia Anderson, Secretary