

MINUTES OF
THE BENTON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
General Meeting, 8 June 1996

Our meeting was opened by Danell Aukerman. Ken Bielman, President was absent. Minutes our of previous meeting were read and approved.

Guests and first time visitors were introduced.

Treasurer's Report:

Due to Ron Edward's absence, no report was given.

Library Report:

We have more new books to check out. Please do not check out library books for more than two weeks. We would like to have our books available for rotation and research with others.

The library will be open during the summer on Tuesday between 12:30-3:00 p.m.

Merchandising:

The society earned \$400 from the garage sale. The items that were left over and new contributions will be for sale at the next garage sale in September.

Last year the society bought \$1500 worth of books from fund raising.

Book Committee:

The book committee will meet during the first week of July.

If anyone has a specific book request or good book idea, please share your thoughts with a committee member. It is helpful to know who the publisher is when requesting a specific book.

Special Projects:

Thank you to Becky Kiger and the anniversary committee for their efforts in making our 25th anniversary celebration special.

Queries:

Maybelle Martsching is continuing her search on Jacob Swenk.

The King family reunion will be on June 22.

Newsletter:

There were no newsletter items to report.

Ed Stratton read a letter from the Croziers.

Public Relations/Hostessing

Thank you to the members who for volunteering to bring refreshments. Please keep volunteering. We need the help.

Service Projects:

Becky Kiger gave a committee report on the 25th anniversary celebration for our June meeting. She said four charter members have responded to our invitation.

Pedigree Charts:

Jim Russell's computer is giving him fits. He does have a rough index to addendum 3. He is still editing and correcting. Jim hopes to be caught up in the fall.

We still need to talk about what to do with this information. Should we share it on

the internet? Should we publish a book?

Unfinished Business:

Joan Mueller reminded the group that if you have a computer and you are using a genealogy program to share the information with her. She would like to help us network with each other.

New Business:

At the last board meeting, Ed Stratton shared a flyer from *Genealogical Services* in Utah selling a CD-ROM with a comprehensive resources for a small fee. We could make a personal order and/or contribute towards the purchase of the CD-ROM for the society. Danell had order forms for any one requesting one.

We had a brief discussion about sharing our skills and resources in helping each other after listening to a couple of members who were able to help each other.

This was one of the shortest meetings on record.
Our next meeting will be September 14, 1996.

Respectfully submitted,

Leila Crawford, Secretary