

MID-VALLEY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY BOARD MEETING 08 May 1995

Attending: KEN BIELMAN, MABELLE MARTSCHING, JUDY BEALS, RON EDWARDS, DANIEL FROEHLICH,
DANELL AUKERMAN, ED STRATTON, DAMARIS REYNOLDS, JIM RUSSELL, MARY YOKE,
JEAN GRUBE

The meeting was opened by Ken Bielman, president.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved as read.

Program: Danell Aukerman has been unable to contact the Lenzens. Their new address was furnished and correspondence can be initiated.

Hostess: Judy Beals passed a sign-up sheet for the fall months and winter 1995/1996.

Treasurer: Ron Edwards reported a balance of \$1469.53 as of 30 April 1995.

Library: Jean Grube reported many new books, as will be listed in the forthcoming Newsletter. She would like to set a June date for library inventory.

Merchandising: Damaris Reynolds announced that the garage sale will be held at the home of Jean Grube on Saturday, 27 May. She will have a sign-up sheet at the general meeting on Saturday for volunteers to help at this sale. The book committee will not meet until June.

Queries: Mabelle Martsching indicated several queries, and her response to same,

Membership: Jim Russell now has 81 single, and 25 family memberships.

Newsletter: Ed Stratton said all was fine in that department. There will be a mailing party tomorrow, Tuesday.

Damaris Reynolds reported that Becky Kiger was setting up a trip to the Forum (Portland) for Saturday, 24 June 1995. The limit will be 15 persons to ride a van. The cost will be \$10 which will cover expenses and \$3.00 admission. Brown bag is suggested.

Unfinished business: Ken Bielman stated that Becky Kiger wished to encourage the sharing of information on designated areas at each monthly meeting; that perhaps the Newsletter could help.

Surname File: Danell Aukerman suggested that the existence and purpose of this file should be explained to the general membership, especially to new members. She will accept names beyond the original 5-generation charts. She announced that the Lebanon group has invited us for a Heritage Quest day, 07 October 1995, at the Albany library, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. The \$25.00 charge will include a subscription to the HQ magazine.

Damaris Reynolds received approval to subscribe to the New York Genealogical and Biographical Quarterly. (\$20.00)

It was agreed that Ken Bielman should introduce at the general meeting the necessity of raising the annual dues to \$10.00, single; and \$13.00, family. The prospect of changing our name to Benton County Genealogical Society would have to wait upon revision of the By-laws. Over the summer, a committee consisting of Jean Grube, Becky Kiger, and Mabelle Martsching will work on this project. The meeting was adjourned. Next meeting, 05 June 1995 at the home of Damaris Reynolds.

Respectfully Submitted
Mary A. Yoke

The monthly meeting of the MVGS of June 10, 1995, was called to order by Vice President Danell Auckerman at 10:10 a.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report. Ron Edwards reported a balance of \$952,36 as of May 31, 1995.

Library. The new books are listed in the newsletter. Most of the books are gifts. It was mentioned that Edith Hughes be sent a Thank You card for sending us her copies of the Virginia Genealogist.

Merchandising. Damaris Reynolds said that the garage sale was a success. We took in over \$400. She will take any items for a September sale.

Book Committee. Will have a meeting later this month.

Public Relations. Judy Beals. Sign up sheet for refreshments for next six months is being passed around. Also there is a sign up sheet to indicate which counties people are interested in in Ohio and Pennsylvania for future study.

Queries. Mabelle Martsching told us of the queries received and the research that is being done.

Service Project: Trip to the Forum in Portland, June 24. To date there have been four reservations and we need 14.

Newsletter. Ed Stratton. We want to set up a list of members who own genealogical CD Roms so that we can share. Ed will keep the list.

He has enough material for awhile for the newsletter.

Work on the cemetery list of progressing.

Membership. Jim Russell reported that we have 87 single memberships, 26 families, making a total of 141.

Pedigree Charts. Ken Bielman has family group sheets from for the library.

Sur Name Index. Work is progressing.

Telephone Committee. Since the mailing of the newsletter there has been no need for the telephone committee, but Maybelle mentioned that there are a few members who still wish to receive a telephone call.

Unfinished Business.

By-Laws Revision Committee. Jean Grube. The committee proposed some corrections at the board meeting but much work has to be done before the revisions can be submitted to the membership.

Raising Dues. Ed discussed the matter. He made a motion that dues would be \$10 for a single membership at \$13 for a family beginning with the 1996 year which are payable in September 1995.

The motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous show of hands.

New Business.

Ron Bremer will be having a seminar at the Portland Community College on August 19, cost \$20 or \$25.

Allen has purchase the NEHGS research indexes for volumes 51 to . Damaris mentioned that the indexes for the first 50 volumes are available at the OSU library.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted

Barbara Anderson