## Minutes of Belnap Family Organization Conference Call

## November 18, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

- -On line: Wes Cox, Pat Johnson, Edith Ward, Glenda Guinn, Steven Belnap, Joy Belnap, Brent Belnap, and Candy Symons. Excused: Florence Ward and Audrey Hobson
- -Prayer by Steven Belnap.
- -The minutes and financial report of Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> meeting were approved. The financial statement will show an increase in expenses of \$600.18 for 2006 Crier expenses to Don Hammond.
- -Pat Johnson reported on the email received from Audrey Hobson that Audrey has a conflict on Tuesdays and that her vote is for the Roy Stake Camp near Wolf Creek for the reunion. Audrey wrote that Henrietta lived in Hooper for the major part of her life. She was the 1<sup>st</sup> schoolteacher in Hooper. Some of her life story is in the 2006 Crier. Her son, William, wrote much about his mother. (Correction: Audrey Hobson is the representative for the Francis Marion line and not Isadora)
- -A discussion was held about changing the night of the conference calls starting in January to either Wednesday or Thursday night. We will try Thursday nights at 7:30 p.m. Utah time. Brent will let us know later if he has a conflict with his institute class. Next call will be January 15, 2009.
- -Organization: Wes Cox asked if anyone knew about possible representatives. He will check with Florence to see about Emery Wiser and Gary Shenton. Wes would like someone to see if Loanne Bartholomew is still on a mission. Joy reported that no one from the Isadora, Augustus Weber, and Mary Louise lines signed the registration rolls at the reunion.

Wes said that he has been unsuccessful reaching Mark Goodmansen. Glenda said to try to call his mother, Lois, as Mark is out of town a lot. Brent said that Mark is an excellent genealogist and an expert on Sir Robert Belknap. Brent suggested that the research could be coordinated and assigned out. Don Hammond is an expert on the Adaline line. Gary Christensen (an employee of the family history center), is the preeminent researcher for the McBride line. Brent said that a lot of the collateral genealogy has been done on the brothers and sisters of Gilbert Belnap and that the temple work has been done and we have pictures on many. Gilbert Belnap's early ancestors have a tie in to noble families such as William the Conquer, the early kings of Denmark, Queen Elizabeth, and Lady Diana. Brent has a website at sirrobertbelknap.org about the Sir Robert Belknap line.

-Reunion ideas for August 14, 2010: Wes asked Glenda about the Ogden Valley church camp possibilities. Glenda reported that girls camp have first priority and have traditionally been at the camps during the first 2 weeks of August. They use the camp

from Weds to Saturday. She will not be able to request anything until January 2010, and it is likely that the girls camp will need it during the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of August. Wes asked Glenda to see when the last camp was held during 2008 at the camp near Wolf Creek. Wes will find out about Camp Lamonda and see how late the girls camps were held in 2008.

Henrietta homesteaded in the Ogden valley and if we are highlighting the wives, some of her sacrifices could be portrayed by a reunion in Ogden Valley.

We discussed the option of a reunion at Huntsville, using the Huntsville stake center. The weather is cool in August. Brent said that reunions were held there in about 1980 and 2000, and were successful. We have active family members in Huntsville, Eden, and Liberty that would help execute the manpower for the reunion.

Wes asked about having a 2 day reunion with Friday and Saturday activities. Brent said that there have been a few 2 day reunions in the past such as a temple session on Friday night. In Huntsville, there are activities such as boating and camping.

Brent said that Wasatch Mountain Stake Park was once explored as an option for the 2008 reunion. There are many nearby activities that would be a draw, such as the Heber Creeper, Park City, Jordanelle reservoir, etc. The facility is big enough and fairly inexpensive. Brent will look up more information for the next meeting.

We also discussed "This is the Place" park, but the price seemed to be high and it may be too hot. Some of the draws such as the Mormon Handicraft store have closed.

- -Special Projects: Edith and Brent said there was interest in Wes's research about the early Ogden history. Brent said there is a guide to Weber Co. published with about 70 early sites and has photocopied papers that have not been published yet. Edith has family in that area from the 1850's. Brent asked Wes to send him the Lawman booklet and received permission from Wes to publish it on the belnapfamily.org website. Jim Belnap has published the Lawman booklet on his wiki blog.
- -Pat Johnson reported that she scanned about 40 pictures of Gilbert's children from a portrait album belonging to Joseph Belnap. A cd of the pictures was mailed to Brent to see if any pictures are of interest for the Belnap website. Pat wants to know how to preserve the pictures as they are presently still in the album.

The hour was up and Joy offered the closing prayer. Next conference call will be January 15, 2009, at 7:30 Utah time.