

Belnap Family Organization Minutes – August 14, 2010

Meeting of the officers and family representatives at 4:00 p.m. Saturday, August 14, 2010:

The meeting followed the Belnap Family Reunion at the Huntsville LDS stake center at 6450 East 1900 North, Ogden Valley, Utah. Jim Marriott was elected the new president of the BFO by the general membership during the reunion. All other officers and family representatives remain the same.

Two new representatives were added: Raymond VanderDoes for the Reuben line. Sam Reeves and Ben Reeves for the Martha Jane line, replacing the late Glenda Hammon Guinn.

Opening prayer: Steven Belnap

Conducting: Jim Marriott

Attending: Florence Ilene Ward, Pat Johnson, Joy Belnap, Steven Belnap, Jim Marriott, Sam Reeves, Ben Reeves, Edith Ward, John Wiser, Lynn Belnap, Audrey Hobson, and Ray VanderDoes. (Did I miss anyone?)

1. Conference calls for all officers and representatives will be held quarterly starting in October 2010 for one year. Calls will be monthly for the next year.
2. Next Belnap reunion will be the 2nd Saturday of 2012, to be held in Idaho.
3. Jim will meet with Steve and Joy to work out a system of sorting emails and addresses for less expensive communication to the descendants. Steve and Joy reported they usually mail notices about the 2010 Crier at this time of year to about 1300 descendants. The Crier is a big source of income for the BFO. Currently, funds are low because of reunion expenses.
4. Jim suggested that the next reunion be held at Lava Hot Springs in Idaho. He would like to focus on the Belnaps making history now, not just the study of the Belnap ancestors. What effect have the Belnap descendants made on the church and community recently? Number of missionaries, government officials, professionals, educators, bishops, etc. Could each representative find out about their branches. He suggested having booths set up for informal visiting.
5. Pat Johnson has an assignment to research if there is a mission statement for the BFO and what it is.
6. Pat Johnson will email the names of the reunion attendees to the family representatives. Approximate attendance per registrations (many did not register):

Gilbert Rosel (6), Reuban (10), Joseph (5), Mary Louisa (4), Hyrum (19), Augustus Weber (15), Vinson Knight (13), Amasa (4), Adaline Lorinda (2), Martha Jane (22), Lola (1), William James (10), Oliver (21), Francis Marion (39), Isadora Estella (0).

7. We need to find representatives for the Isadora branch and the Augustus Weber. Someone mentioned Hal Stoddard in Hooper as a representative for Augustus Weber.
** Later note - Loanne Bartholomew from North Carolina attended the reunion and is the representative for Augustus Weber.

8. Next conference call: Weds. Oct. 20, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. MDT. Reminders will be sent out by email.

Closing prayer by Audrey Hobson

Conference call information for Oct 20, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. MDT.

Call toll free: 1-888-276-0347, participant code 33844552 followed by #.