Ingham County Genealogical Society February 10, 2011

The February 10, 2011, regular meeting of the Ingham County Genealogical Society was held at the Vevay Township Hall. President Grove Sandrock called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were about 40 people in attendance, including 7 guests.

PROGRAM: Kris Rzepczynski presented a program on "The Circle of Life: Genealogy Research with Vital Records."

BUSINESS MEETING: After a break, the business meeting began at 8:21 p.m.

MINUTES: Alice Raatz moved to accept the minutes of the November 11 and December 9, 2010, meetings. The minutes were approved as submitted.

OFFICER REPORTS: President Grove Sandrock announced Sara Price has agreed to fill the vacant vice president position. The Executive Board will be asked to approve the action at its next meeting. When Sara Price becomes vice president, her old position as trustee will become vacant. Grove Sandrock asked for volunteers for that position. John and Lynne Castle will celebrate their 60th anniversary on February 17. Dave Held had quadruple bypass surgery on February 9. Copies of the treasurer's report were available. As of January 31, 2011, the society accounts totaled \$10,266.61. Treasurer Bill Carr said the microfilm storage bill of \$644.56 was paid last month. Beth Hall moved to accept the treasurer's report and the motion passed. Membership Secretary Cathy Morse reported there were 91 paid memberships to date, with 36 non-renewals and 12 new memberships. Librarian Diane Bishop asked for volunteers to assist at the library on Wednesdays.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Cindy Hawkins said the next newsletter will be in April. . Historian Alice Raatz has started a new history notebook for 2011. Merchandise Sales Chairperson Isabelle Wells has sold more DVDs. Social Arrangements Chair Sheri Sleep asked for volunteers to bring refreshments to the next meeting. Michigan Genealogical Council Delegate Tammy Parsons reported Ancestry hopes to finish indexing census films in a couple of months. State Archivist Mark Harvey is working on having wireless access for the Archives. The Archives are looking for people to volunteer on a regular basis. SeekingMichigan.org hopes to add original surveys and maps in the next six months.

ANNOUNCEMENT AND ADJOURNMENT: Cynthia Grostick announced the Stockbridge Area Genealogical and Historical Society will have a re-enactment in October. She is working with the legislature about the fate of the Library of Michigan and thanked all for their support which may be needed again after the Governor's new budget request is released. Grove Sandrock said Curtis Hertel, Jr. will speak on "Conducting Genealogical Research at the Office of the Ingham County Register of Deeds" at the next meeting on March 10, 2011.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Submitted by Beth Hall, Recording Secretary