

# Ingham County Genealogical Society

April 14, 2005

The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President, David Held. 31 members and guests were present. The guests were Kris Rzepczynski, Karen Meirndorf, Vickie Thomas, Joyce Laird, and Roberta Held. Board Members absent were Carole Callard, Jean Crawford and Lorraine Larkins.

David Held introduced Kris Rzepczynski from the State of Michigan Library who gave a very interesting and informative talk on "Military Records"

**50/50 Drawing:** Norm Osborn ran the 50/50. Isabelle Wells won \$15.50 and donated \$15.00 to the Microfilm Printer/Reader Fund.

**Approval of Secretarial Minutes:** Bruce Bevier made a motion to accept the March minutes by recording secretary, Alice Raatz. Greg James seconded. Carried.

**Approval of Treasurer Report:** Current balance on hand is \$18,715.39. Joyce Yeutter made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted by Marge James. Sam Pardee seconded. Motion carried.

## Officers Reports:

**President:** Next Executive Board meeting will be Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 at Tammy Parsons residence in Holt.

Volunteers are needed for our booth at the Centennial Celebration at the Mason Courthouse on Saturday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.

**Treasurer:** Marge James reported that the microfilm printer/reader fund collected \$17 in donations last month.

**Trustee:** Joyce Yeutter reports that she has the Treasurers Books and plans to audit before the next meeting.

**Librarian:** Isabelle Wells announced that the upcoming seminar planned for April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Stockbridge has been cancelled due to lack of participants.

Other seminars are planned as follows:

April 30, 2005	Kalamazoo County, with guest speaker, Curt Witcher
May 14, 2005	Family History Center
June	Isabella County

Volunteers are needed to work at the ICGS Library. Please sign up.

New Librarian at the Mason Library is Barbara Faiks. Prior to her arrival some old publications were being discarded. The Mason Historical Society and ICGS members have shared in taking these items, so our library collection has increased.

Other donations to the Library were books from Bruce Bevier and Phyllis Whidden.

**Committee Reports:**

**MGC:** Sam Pardee reports that due to budget cuts, the State of Michigan Library is closed every Monday and Thursday mornings with a new opening time of 1 pm.

Carole Callard, State of Michigan Librarian is retiring in July. MGC will host a retirement celebration on July 14<sup>th</sup>.

An MGC workshop is planned for June 18<sup>th</sup> for all societies. Topic will be "Are Seminars Viable?"

October 22, 2005, MCG will host a seminar on Family History.

**Publications:**

John Castle reported that the Locke Township microfilming project was completed on April 7<sup>th</sup> which consists of 13 reels of film. Records have been returned to them. John showed one of the 155 school census records from 1891-1925 that were among their records. A set of film will be presented to Locke Township at the township hall on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm by John. Anyone interested may attend.

In May, Bunker Hill will be the next microfilming project.

\$8,000 Abrams Grant money has been received and will be used to fund the filming of records from Bunker Hill, Leroy and Williamstown.

**Newsletter Chairman:** Barb Smith reports that the newsletter is ready to pick up at tonight's meeting.

**Historian:** Alice Raatz, reports the book is up to date with the exception of recent photos and available at tonight's meeting.

**Computer Chairman:** Greg James reports that the computer is working fine. The company that hosts our web site has increased our space and made improvement without a price increase.

**Old Business:**

**ICGS 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** Chairperson, Alice Raatz reports that the plans are progressing well. 37 reservations have been received and several more are anticipated. The deadline for reservations is April 28<sup>th</sup>. Many door prizes have been donated. A program will be finalized at the next board meeting.

**Policy Book:** Tammy Parsons reminded members that she still needs a written description of duties from the Vice President, Trustees, Publicity Chairman, Nominating committee, and Grant Chairman.

**New Business:** Bruce Bevier announced that the Stockbridge will have an interesting meeting next Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at Heritage Elementary School with Ed Parker and invites all to attend.

**Adjournment:** David Held adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Alice Raatz