

Ingham County Genealogical Society  
August 8, 2002

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President John Castle at 7:10 pm, 25 members and guests were present. Guest were Paul Young, spouse of Gloria, and Janette Thayer. Our founder and eldest member, Ed Parker was in attendance at tonight's meeting.

Eldora Spooner made motion to accept the June minutes as presented by secretary, Alice Raatz. Bart Smith seconded. Approved. No minutes from July as it was the annual picnic.

Vice President, Sam Pardee reports that although he did not attend today's MGC board meeting, Tammy Parsons reported to him that the library received a \$30,0000 grant from Abrams foundation for the death records project (GENDIS)

Sam also reports that he will be conducting a genealogical presentation on September 28, 2002 at the Lansing Public Library. Also, at the Haslett Library in early October.

Upcoming speakers for our society are:

September	Shirley Hodges	'Church Records'
October	to be announced	
November	Randy Riley	State of Michigan Library
December	Annual Christmas party	

Sam would appreciate any suggestion for October, perhaps something relating to the Family History Month as designated by Governor Engler.

Jean Crawford reports that current members are 113. Annual membership dues are due by September 30<sup>th</sup>. Costs are \$10 for individual or \$15 for family.

Librarian, Isabelle Wells reports that she has received all 3 discs of the 1930 census. Also, the 1930 Ingham plat book is available to help determine boundary lines. Microfilm reels of Dansville, Ingham Township and Onondaga township are now in the reference room. Indexes of these films were brought to tonight's meeting. Workers are needed for the reference room at the Mason Library. A sign up sheet will be passed.

Old Business: Jean Crawford and Lynne Castle, nominating committee, reported that the slate of officers is nearly complete. A vice president candidate is needed. The responsibilities of VP are to fill in as President when needed, arrange monthly guest speakers, attend board meetings and hopefully be a prospective candidate to move up to the Presidency.

John Castle reports he received a letter from the law firm representing the Abrams Foundation stating that our society has been approved for an \$8,000.00 grant to continue microfilming records in 2003.

#### New Business

Greg James, computer, reports that the ICGS web host's annual fee of \$107.40 is due for renewal. Isabelle Wells made a motion to renew our web page for the \$107.40 yearly fee. Lynn Brown Seconded. Approved.

John Castle requests that all bills be turned in to Marge James for payment by mid September.

Computer, Greg James, reports that Isabelle Wells purchased a cleaning device for the reference room laser printer, which has eliminated the hazy printing problem.

Social, Barb Smith reports that all is fine. The donation of cookies for each monthly meeting has been more than adequate. Barbara volunteered to be social for 3 months, which was 4 months ago, anyone willing to volunteer would be appreciated.

Historian, Alice Raatz, reports the history book is up to date and includes photos of the July picnic. The book is available at tonight's meeting for all to browse.

MCG Delegate, Tammy Parsons, reports that other than what Sam previously reported, today's board meeting did not have anything else to report. Parking at the state library is improving, but continues to be a problem.

Next meeting will be September 12, 2002. The program will be the nomination of officers and guest speaker, Shirley Hodges.

Isabelle Wells requests that all Spartan Labels be turned in, as we will discontinue this program in December 2002, due to the lack of Spartan stores in the area.

Lynn Brown questioned the status of the reference room in the library. Barb Smith reports that the most recent plans are to include the second floor in the remodeling.

Lynne Castle made a motion to adjourn. Alice Raatz seconded. Approved.

Following the business meeting, a 50/50 drawing and a workshop were held. Gloria Young won \$20.50 in the 50/50. Workshop was held for all members to assist in clipping newspaper obituaries and indexing books.

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Alice Raatz