

October 11, 2001

Meeting was called to order by President John Castle at 7:05 PM on 11 October 2001, at the Vevay Township Hall, Mason, Mich. 34 Persons were in attendance including the following 3 guests, Matt Theusch, Tim Theusch, and Sue Polhemus.

Joyce Darrow conducted a ceremony for installation of the 2001-02 officers. After a brief description of the duties of each office, the following members were sworn in.

President John Castle
Vice President Sam Pardee
Recording Secretary Alice Raatz
Membership Secretary Jean Crawford
Treasurer Marge James
Librarian Isabelle Wells

Trustees Norma Hass and Gloria Young were absent this evening.

Meeting was suspended at this time to introduce the speaker for tonight's meeting. Sam Pardee presented a very interesting talk on the ill-fated last voyage of the Civil War ship "Sultana".

Margie Griffin was introduced as the new 50/50 sales person. After a 10-minute coffee break the 50/50 drawing was held. Winner of the 50/50 was Joyce Darrow. Additional winners of note cards were Joan Pardee and Matt Theusch.

Meeting resumed with review of minutes and an omission was noted. Officers for the 2001-02 year should include Recording Secretary, Jean Crawford. Lynne Castle made a motion to accept the minute with this correction. Seconded by Tammy Parsons.

Officers Reports

Vice President- Sam Pardee announced the following planned programs for future meetings.
November 2001 John Dulong "Canadian Research" and the Burton Collection
December 2001 Gordon Lantz "American Indians"
January 2002 "Genealogical Show and Tell and What is your Problem?"
February 2002 Dave Johnson State of Michigan Archives

Recording Secretary-Alice Raatz mentioned that she would be on vacation during the November meeting. Lynne Castle will record the minutes in her absence.

Treasurer-Marge James had just returned from vacation and did not have a report. Will prepare annual Financial report for November meeting.

Membership Secretary-Jean Crawford reports that 43 members have not paid dues for upcoming year. Reminders were sent to all unpaid members in September. Currently there are 105 paid memberships in the society.

Trustees-Gloria Young and Norma Hass were absent from meeting.

Librarian-Isabelle Wells reports that we will have 1000 Spartan Labels collected this year to earn \$40. Members are urged to continue to collect and turn in labels to Isabelle. Mason Historical Society will host a tour of Maple Grove Cemetery on Sunday October 14th at 2 PM. 58 reels of Stockbridge Newspapers 1880's through 1999 are available in the research room at the Mason Library. Reminder of research room policy. Members are permitted to use the room at any time by showing their membership card and requesting the key at the desk. Must sign in the spiral book that you visited the room. Please be sure to lock the door when leaving and return the key to the

desk. Video and audiotapes are available to borrow for home use.

Committee Reports-

Audit Committee-Lynne Castle reported that the ICGS treasurer's books were audited on October 5, 2001 by Lynne Castle, Alice Raatz, Norma Hass and Gloria Young. A review of accounts payable and accounts receivable found them to be well maintained and accurate. Treasurer Marge James was commended for an outstanding job.

Computer-Greg James-Email addresses should be given to Greg so he can send meeting announcements to members. He will also add each months minutes of society meetings to our web page.

Social-Valdeen Warren- Requests that we need someone to make coffee during the winter months while she is away.

Newsletter-Barbara Smith-Newsletter is nearly complete. Will be distributed and mailed in December.

New Business

Isabelle Wells suggests we conduct a free 30 minute beginning genealogy class prior to each monthly meeting starting in January 2002. Discussion followed. Agreed to try this for 3 months.

President Castle announced the Executive Board Meeting will be Thursday, October 25, 2001 at 7 PM at Castle's home in Mason. Purpose of meeting is to establish a budget for 2001-02.

Lynne Castle presented a Retirement Card to Jean Crawford. Jean will be retiring from Plante-Moran Inc. on Monday, October 15, 2001.

President Castle reports that 58 reels of Microfilm will be presented to the Library of Michigan on November 8, 2001 at the Michigan Genealogical Council Meeting.

ICGS next regular business meeting will be Thursday, November 8, 2001.

Isabelle Wells made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Valdeen Warren. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully prepared by Alice Raatz, Recording Secretary