

**November 13, 1997 - Ingham County Genealogical Society Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting was held at the Vevay Township Hall and was called to order by President Jerry Fellows at 7:30 PM with 72 persons present.**

**Meeting was opened with any corrections or questions about the October 9, 1997 minutes. Tammy Parsons moves they stand as presented and seconded by Bernice Parker. Motion passes.**

**Joyce Darrow gives her final report on her presidency for 1996.**

**Vice President Sam Pardee gives a report on upcoming events. December will be a potluck dinner. January will be Genealogy help night, bring any problems or questions you may have. There will be a computer available for Web discussion and display. February Dr. Joe Druse will be talking about Irish - English research. March Shirley Hodges will be speaking.**

**Secretary Randy Gladstone gives a report on the Mason Area Historical Society.**

**Treasurer Jean Crawford informed us the check book balance is \$1022.42. She also informed us that at the October Seminar there were 24 attendees, 11 which became members. The Seminar brought in \$435.84.**

**Membership Secretary John Castle reminds members dues for membership are now due. He also mentions more name tags are needed, the cost is 25 cents each and \$36.00 would cover our needs. Bill Atkinson moves we purchase more tags, Ray Yeutter seconds. Motion carries.**

**President Jerry Fellows reports that Bill Atkinson has provided information on Gentech being held at the Allegan County Library on January 23 and 24, 1998. Those interested contact Bill for details.**

**Jerry thanks everyone who made food for the seminar and those who helped out. The idea is brought up by Jerry to give Jim LaLone a Gift Certificate for speaking at our Seminar. He didn't want to be paid. Jerry thought that this would be a nice token of our appreciation. It is moved by Joyce Darrow and seconded by Theresa Kruger. Motion carried.**

**Isabel Wells and Alice Raatz give audit report of both the Treasurer and Social accounts. Everything is found to be in order.**

**Jerry asks Joyce Darrow to review the By-Laws, on changing the date of the Audit report to the November meeting.**

**Greg James reports a few problems with our Web site and it should be fixed soon. The society now has a E-mail address [icgs@yahoo.com](mailto:icgs@yahoo.com). There have been E-mail correspondences received and replied to.**

**Joyce Darrow reports on the ICGS room at the Ingham County Branch Library in Mason. She reports we've had visitors wanting help. Also the Library staff has been very supportive. The city of Mason has given us the right to review and use their articles for research that are present in the room. Contact Joyce on the next volunteer meeting.**

**Joyce Darrow gives the By-laws committee report. She proposes possible future changes in:**

**The Societies summer meeting dates be removed.**

**The Societies year end and election of officers be at the same time.**

**The date the dues must be received before being dropped from the membership roll.**

**Lynn Brown reports that the Michigan Genealogy Council meeting was on Public Births and Death records. The Council will be sending out letters to locations believed to have records of Genealogy purposes. He also reports the Michigan Death records are completed from 1867-1883. The 1884-1888 will be done shortly there after. Lynn also reports that Randy Riley from the State Library spoke on 40 new rolls of Micro Film. These consist of Ontario, Canada, Pennsylvania and of the Black members of the Civil War (I roll). Lynn also reports there will be no micro fiche copying at the State Library.**

**Barbara Smith gives the publicity report. Invitations of our pot luck dinner will be in the local papers.**

**John Castle reports on progress on the Jewett Funeral Home records. They are coming along just fine, and thanks everyone for their help.**

**Jerry Fellows gives a Newsletter Report and announces that Theresa Kruger will be the editor. Theresa gives her ideas on the newsletter and shows the members some samples of her work. She also reports that the newsletter may be ready for our January meeting. The deadline for articles will be December 18<sup>th</sup>. Ideas and articles for the newsletter would be helpful. A motion by John Castle to produce a quarterly newsletter is given. Jean Crawford seconds. Motion carried.**

**Lynne Castle mentions we need a vote on the Society Logo. It's discussed and agreed to be brought up at a later date.**

**Jerry Fellows sadly reports the death of our founding president, Jan Morgan. She was also was our Society Historian and a Past President. A card and flowers were sent to the family. Alice Raatz and Tammy Parsons agrees to fill in as our Historians.**

**President Fellows welcomes new members and has them introduce themselves.**

**Barbara Smith mentions to members to fill out our new member data cards. Once they are filled out they will be available in our new room at the library. The time at the library in which our room is open is 2 PM to 5:30 PM every Tuesday.**

**Jerry Fellows reports on meeting with the Ingham County Clerks office to ask if they would like our help. They gave us a "flat NO".**

**Jerry also reports that the Alaieton Township birth records 1907-1942 and death records 1887-to present are available to review.**

**Mr. Fellows has checked on the possibility of a booth at the Ingham County Fair, July 31 to August 8, 1998, the cost would be \$225.00.**

**Jerry reports we have renewed our agreement to meet monthly at the Vevay Township Hall.**

**Jerry mentions a fund raiser of bottle returns. Bill Atkinson moves it be tabled till next meeting.**

**Lynne Castle mentions. Pot luck dinner for our next meeting. Jerry asks for helpers.**

**Theresa Kruger moves that the Society buy the meat and drinks for the pot luck and the members bring a dish to pass with their own place settings. Seconded by Tammy Parsons. Motion carried.**

**Brake for refreshments and 50/50 drawing. Joyce Shepler wins \$45.00.**

**Meeting resumes with Joyce Darrow says the dinner be at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting starting earlier at 6:00 p.m. Lynn Castle moves that dinner be at 6:30 p.m. and Theresa Kruger seconds.**

**A refreshment committee was elected for our monthly meetings and Joann Pardee, Jean Crawford and Valdeen Warren volunteer to help.**

**Our main speaker was Mary Griffes, director of the Later-day Saints Church, finishing our meeting with a wonderful lesson on getting started in genealogy.**

**Meeting adjourned.**

**Randy Gladstone**