

**Ingham County Genealogical Society**  
**September 12, 2013**

The September 12, 2013, regular Membership meeting of the Ingham County Genealogical Society (ICGS) was held at the Vevay Township Hall, Mason, Michigan. President Diane Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. There were 28 members and 5 guests in attendance.

**PROGRAM:** Mitch Lutzke was the guest speaker. His presentation was on the history of Williamston.

**BUSINESS MEETING:** After a short break, President Diane Bishop called the meeting to order at 8:29 p.m.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made to accept the minutes for the May 9, 2013 meeting by Rod Jewett and was seconded by Tammy Parsons. The motion was accepted and passed.

### **OFFICER REPORTS**

**President:** Diane Bishop started out by asking if anyone went to the Family History Conference in May and if so to give an update. Lisa Feury said she enjoyed it, especially the class on DNA. She said the facility was nice and had lots of classrooms. Another member said she had a good experience as well. Diane then asked if anyone had gone to the Abrams Foundation Family History Seminar in July and if so to give an update. Lorie Neuman said she attended lots of good classes including one on citing sources. The picnic in August went well, and had a good turnout. Down Home Days is on September 21. Bill Carr has sent out email reminders to people who have signed up to work. You may submit suggestions for the Name that Newsletter contest on paper, by email or mail. We will vote on the suggestions at the October meeting. She announced that there is a Write Your Family History Seminar coming up on September 18 and 19. The Michigan Genealogical Council and Archives of Michigan are having a family history event in October. There are two bus trips to Ft Wayne library coming up this fall as well. She reports that member John Castle has surgery today and will be recuperating for the next couple of months. Member Robin Sheely's husband Jim is ill as well. Diane finished by thanking all of the volunteers for their service.

**Vice President:** Lorie is working on arranging a speaker for the November meeting.

**Treasurer:** Bill Carr reports that August was a fairly dry month. Sales are picking up so things are getting better. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report by Sam Pardee and seconded by Alice Raatz. The motion was accepted and passed.

**Membership Secretary:** Cathy reports that membership dues are due and payable now.

**Librarian:** Committee is still looking for volunteers for the next 2 months. Barb Bridges has withdrawn from being Librarian for the next year so the society is now looking for someone to fill that position. The day the library is open can be changed if need be. The library may not be open to visitors if we can't find someone to do this.

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Newsletter:** Cindy Hawkins reports that the next newsletter will be sent out in October. Members can submit articles for publication through the end of September.

**Merchandise Sales:** Isabelle Wells reports that sales have picked up of late.

**Michigan Genealogical Council Delegates:** Sam Pardee reports that Archives of Michigan are going to be releasing more death records to be published on the Seeking Michigan website. The Archives are going to be working with Ancestry to index available Michigan immigration records and post the indexes to both and the actual records will be posted to the website. The speakers are all lined up for the fall seminar.

**FGS Delegate:** Bill Carr just got some information about getting a discount from Dell on equipment that he will talk more about next month. 770,000 1812 pensions have been digitized. The conference raised \$80,000 for the project using matching funds. The profit from a Michigan breakfast at the conference raised another \$700 for the project.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

The nominating committee of Connie Stewart, Phyllis Whidden, and Joann Depeel announced the following nominations for officers for 2013-2014: President-Diane Bishop, Vice President-Lorie Neuman, Recording Secretary-Lisa Feury, Treasurer-William Carr, Membership Secretary-Cathy Carr, Trustee-Jeffrey Montgomery, and Trustee-Connie Stewart. The Librarian position is open at this point in time. No other nominations were made. The nominations were accepted by membership.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENTS**

Next meeting will be held on Thursday October 10, 2013 at the Vevay Township Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Lisa Feury and seconded by Sam Pardee. The motion was accepted and passed at 9:03 p.m.

Report submitted by: Lisa Feury, ICGS Recording Secretary