

Ingham County Genealogical Society
March 12, 2009

Co-Vice President Isabelle Wells called the March 12, 2009, regular meeting of the Ingham County Genealogical Society to order at 7:03 p.m. at the Vevay Township Hall. There were 29 people in attendance, including 4 guests.

PROGRAM: John Castle presented “Burial Transit Permits” and discussed the newspaper microfilming project. Lynne Castle demonstrated how to prepare newspaper pages for microfilming. Volunteers are needed to press the newspaper pages to remove wrinkles.

BUSINESS MEETING: President Dave Held began the business meeting at 8:12 p.m.

MINUTES: Upon a motion by Norm Osborn, the minutes of the February 12, 2009, meeting were approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Copies of the treasurer’s report were available. Total assets as of February 28, 2009, are \$18,887.61. Beth Hall moved that the treasurer’s report be accepted. The motion carried.

OFFICER REPORTS: President Dave Held announced the Eaton County Genealogical Society will hold a workshop on May 16. The Library of Michigan will hold a session on on-line genealogy on April 4. The Monroe County Genealogical Society will have a genealogy session on March 21. The Mid-Michigan Genealogical Society will have a bus trip to the Allen County Library in Fort Wayne on May 2. More information has been indexed on the ICGS website. Co-Vice President Isabelle Wells reported that Jesse LaSorda will speak on “The Lynching of John Taylor in Mason” at the ICGS meeting on April 9. Membership Secretary Cathy Morse announced an updated membership list is available.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Michigan Genealogical Council Delegate Sam Pardee said there was a meeting earlier today with Senator George’s office about the possibility of closing the Library of Michigan or transferring responsibility to the Department of Education with materials going to a state university. The Archives are getting death records digitized and information should be posted on the internet in the next month or two. www.SeekingMichigan.org is now up and running with new information added all the time. www.Michlist.com is a site that indexes names connected with Michigan. Sam Pardee will conduct an introduction about the world of genealogy on April 4 at the Delta Township Library. On May 9 the Latter Day Saints will have their annual genealogy seminar. President Dave Held asked for volunteers to be the chairpersons of the Social Arrangements and Merchandise Sales Committees.

OLD BUSINESS: Dave Held encouraged members to send letters to Senator George about the importance of the Library of Michigan and opposing the proposed library closing. Isabelle Wells encouraged sending letters of support for all libraries to your own representative and senator. Cathy Morse also encouraged writing to the Governor’s office.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Submitted by Beth Hall, Recording Secretary