

Ingham County Genealogical Society
April 8, 2010

The April 8, 2010, regular meeting of the Ingham County Genealogical Society was called to order by President Dave Held at 7:03 p.m. at the Vevay Township Hall.

PROGRAM: Portia Vescio, Archivist of University Archives and Historical Collections of MSU, presented “MSU Archives: How to Access Genealogical Resources.”

BUSINESS MEETING: The business meeting began at 8:17 p.m.

MINUTES: Greg James moved to accept the minutes of the March 11, 2010, meeting. The minutes were approved as submitted.

OFFICER REPORTS: Librarian Diane Bishop requested volunteers to sign up to work at the library.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Michigan Genealogical Council Delegate Tammy Parsons reported that the General Board of the Michigan Genealogical Council met earlier this day. There is a proposal to move the non-Michigan collection to the archives site. The governor can veto the proposal. The newsletter will be out shortly. Historian Alice Raatz said she is finishing the book for last year. Social Arrangements Chairperson Sheri Sleep said Alice Raatz volunteered to bring cookies to the next meeting. Merchandise Sales Chairperson Isabelle Wells sent brochures to local genealogical and historical societies about the availability of the DVDs for the Ingham County News and the Ingham County Democrat newspapers. Unless it rains, ICGS will have a table with merchandise for sale in front of the Mason Library at the Spring Fling on May 1. The library will be open and visitors can visit the ICGS area. Volunteers are needed from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS: Julie Carr noted she is getting some volunteers to assist in the Michigan Pioneer Index, but could use more help. She also has some old pictures that she will give to anyone related to the subjects of the photos.

NEW BUSINESS: Dave Held said he hope to interest more people in the ICGS at the Spring Fling. Julie Carr said she will make copies of the Fairview Cemetery book for \$15. Dave Held announced that the program at the May meeting will be a round table discussion about websites that members have used. Bill Carr, husband of Julie Carr and cousin of Bill Carr ICGS treasurer, is a member of a company of military historians and is working on Civil War military uniforms. John Castle said the Ingham County News from 1935 – 1969 still needs to be digitized, but ICGS does not anticipate receiving any more grant money. It will take about \$11,000 to finish. Donations are tax deductible. He suggested ICGS could resume selling 50/50 tickets and/or passing the donation jar.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Submitted by Beth Hall, Recording Secretary