

**Ingham County Genealogical Society**  
**May 13, 2010**

The May 13, 2010, regular meeting of the Ingham County Genealogical Society was held at the Vevay Township Hall. President Dave Held called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

**PROGRAM:** Those present participated in the program “Websites you have found to be helpful for genealogy.”

**BUSINESS MEETING:** The business meeting began at 8:32 p.m.

**MINUTES:** Cathy Morse moved to accept the minutes of the April 8, 2010, meeting. The minutes were approved as submitted.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Total assets were \$9,802.25 as of April 30, 2010. Beth Hall moved to accept the treasurer’s report. The motion passed.

**OFFICER REPORTS:** President Dave Held noted the next meeting will be the annual picnic on August 12, 2010. The next regular meeting will be on September 2, 2010. A workshop for genealogical society officers will be held on May 15 at the First Presbyterian Church in Lansing. Vice President Grove Sandrock said Shirley Hodges will speak at the September meeting on a topic to be determined. Librarian Diane Bishop reported that a couple of recent visitors to the library found a lot of pertinent information.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** Historian Alice Raatz has completed the 2009 history book and has placed it in the library. Michigan Genealogical Council Delegate Tammy Parsons attended a general board meeting of the Michigan Genealogical Council on May 13, 2010. The Michigan Archives have nearly completed indexing naturalization records. These will be on [www.seekingmichigan.org](http://www.seekingmichigan.org) website. The website will be improved to eliminate the need to enter the county name when doing a search. There is a contract to add all existing state censuses to the web site. Tammy gave an update on the Library of Michigan situation. Since the Department of Education will not provide funds to move the non-Michigan genealogical collection to the Archives floor, donations are needed. The Abrams Foundation will provide some funds and some genealogical societies have already offered monetary help. Tammy Parson made a motion to give ICGS officers the authority to contribute \$1,000 to move the non-Michigan genealogical collection of the Library of Michigan if the need arises. The motion passed with some objections. Cindy Hawkins said the next newsletter will be in July. Social Arrangements Chairperson Sheri Sleep said she will provide the plates for the August picnic and Norm Osborn will provide the meat. She is considering having a fun event at the picnic, such as a white elephant sale to benefit ICGS. Merchandise Sales Chairperson Isabelle Wells said no DVDs were sold this month, but she did sell a CD.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Bill Carr said some ICGS members have helped with the Michigan Pioneer Index Project. Isabelle Wells said the Spring Fling generated interest in ICGS and several people did research at the library that day. If ICGS intends to participate in Mason’s Down Home Days in September, more volunteers will be needed.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Dave Held will appoint a committee to nominate officer candidates for next year. Grove Sandrock is willing to run for President, which means a candidate for Vice President is needed. Tammy Parsons announced the Michigan Genealogical Council is considering having a regional conference in 2012.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Submitted by Beth Hall, Recording Secretary