

Ingham County Genealogical Society
October 8, 2009

The October 8, 2009, 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. There were 40 people in attendance, including 5 guests.

PROGRAM: Mark Hoffman spoke about “Michigan 1st Engineers and Mechanics in the Civil War.”

BUSINESS MEETING: President Dave Held began the business meeting at 8:27 p.m.

SWEARING IN OF NEW OFFICERS: The new officers were sworn in by John Castle. Grove Sandrock was absent.

MINUTES: Upon a motion by Alice Raatz, the minutes of the September 10, 2009, meeting were approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Copies of the treasurer’s report were available. Total assets as of September 30, 2009, were \$11,789.52. Sam Pardee moved to accept the treasurer’s report. The motion carried.

OFFICER REPORTS: President Dave Held noted the Eaton County Genealogical Society is sponsoring a trip to the Allen County Library on October 24, 2009. At a meeting on September 25, 2009, the Executive Board revised the price list for CDs and DVDs. The board approved the budget of \$3,200 in operating funds for 2009/2010. Abrams Foundation grant funds have been discontinued. The web site fee was authorized for the next year. Library hours have been changed to noon to 4 p.m. on Wednesdays. Now that the ceiling has been repaired at the library, materials have been reorganized and put back in place.

Secretary Beth Hall circulated a card to send to Pete Phelps who is ill.

Membership Secretary Cathy Morse has received 40 paid memberships for 2009/2010.

Librarian Diane Bishop asked for volunteers to work at the library.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Publication Committee Chair John Castle asked for help in preparing the 1959-1969 Ingham County News for microfilming. The pages need to be ironed and returned by February 2010.

Web Master Greg James said the web site will be updated in the next two weeks.

Tammy Parson, delegate to the Michigan Genealogical Council, said the council has been denied a meeting with the Michigan Board of Education about the fate of the Library of Michigan holdings. Delegate Sam Pardee encouraged ICGS members to contact the legislature about the Library of Michigan budget.

Newsletter Chair Cindy Hawkins said the newsletter will be out later this month.

Publicity Chair Dave Held said the Lansing State Journal published the meeting notice for once.

OLD BUSINESS: Dave Held noted there was no new information about the State of Michigan Library as the budget is still pending.

Sherri Sleep reported on the results of the member survey. She handed out lists of people who are seeking genealogical help and those who are willing to help others.

NEW BUSINESS: Dave Held said all committee chairs have been reappointed.

Isabelle Wells is the new Chair of Merchandise Sales. She reported the price of existing CDs has been reduced to \$15 except the CDs of the Williamston Enterprise and “Unlocking Locke” will cost nonmembers \$25 (or \$20 for members). The set of five DVDs of the Ingham County News – 1869-1934 will cost \$125 (\$100 for members) or \$30 apiece for nonmembers (\$25 each for members). The set of four DVDs of the Ingham County Democrat 1876-1915 will sell for \$100 for nonmembers (\$80 for members) or \$30 apiece for nonmembers (\$25 apiece for members). She will take orders for the DVDs.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Phyllis Whidden asked for someone to take over cutting obituaries out of the newspaper by the end of the year.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Submitted by Beth Hall, Recording Secretary