

Ingham County Genealogical Society  
September 11, 2003

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by President Sam Pardee at 7:10 p.m. 32 members and guests were present. Guests were Joanne Harvey, Nancy Campbell, Ann Martin, Donna Von Schmitton, David Mikkelsen and Carole Mikkelsen.

The business meeting was suspended for the guest speaker of the evening. John Castle introduced Joanne Harvey, who gave an interesting talk on "Finding Your Immigrant Ancestors"

Sam Pardee mentioned that the secretarial notes have an error. Marge James, treasurer, and Isabelle Wells, librarian, were not included in the list of candidates. Tammy Parsons made a motion to accept the August minutes with amendments as presented by recording secretary, Alice Raatz, Loraine Larkin seconded. Carried.

Officer's reports: Membership chairman, Jean Crawford, reminded members that the annual dues are due. Membership fees are \$10 (individual) and \$15 (family.) Jean also mentioned that Marge Dickinson returned two ICGS sweatshirts to her. Sam conducted an auction to the membership.

Librarian, Isabelle Wells, requested volunteers to work the reference room in the library. October 18<sup>th</sup> is an urgent need for volunteers as Isabelle will be attending the Family History events at the state library. ICGS will have a display at the Mason Library for the month of October to celebrate , Family History Month. Sat Oct 4<sup>th</sup>, Genealogy Appreciation Day. Family History Center is now open again in the old location. Tours of the church will be held this weekend. Sunday, Sept 21<sup>st</sup> at 2 p.m. Mt. Hope Cemetery walk sponsored by the Historical Society of Greater Lansing.

Social Chairperson, Barb Smith requested a volunteer to bring cookies for the October meeting.

President, Sam Pardee, announced that Oct 25<sup>th</sup> will be an Oral History Seminar and program. MGC will have 2 six foot tables in the rotunda area of the library and invites all genealogical society to display brochures/materials during October for Family History Month. Registration blanks for Family History Events are available on the back table for all interested persons.

Isabelle Wells mentioned that the library and archives will stay open every Wednesday during October until 8 p.m.

MGC delegate, Sam Pardee, reports that effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, Ancestry Plus will be available from your home by going through the state library website. Dave Johnson, of the Archives stated at today's meeting that they will begin charging a fee for researching the records.

Jean Crawford was the winner of \$21.50 in the 50/50 drawing.

Election of Officers was held. The following officers were elected for the 2003-04 year.

President, Sam Pardee	Vice President, David Held
Recording Secretary, Alice Raatz	Treasurer, Marge James
Membership Secretary, Jean Crawford	Trustee, Norma Hass
Trustee, Loraine Larkin	Librarian, Isabelle Wells

Lynn Brown shared his discovery of a, private pioneer cemetery on a farm in Alaiedon township which contains about 150 graves from the early and mid 1800's.

Isabelle Wells announced that Ray Yeutter had open heart surgery a week ago and is home recuperating.

Sam Pardee adjourned the meeting at 9 p.m.  
Submitted by Recording Secretary, Alice Raatz