

INGHAM COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING
August 9, 1995

The meeting was called to order by President, Jan Morgan, at 7:30 p.m. There were twenty-two present.

Jan Morgan asked for volunteers to help on the refreshment committee. Jean Crawford volunteered to help on this committee.

John Castle reported that he had added our group to be on the Computer Mailing List that has about 20,000 members listed. He also stated that he had a Library Research Inventory on file and asked for donations to be added to his files. He is maintaining a mailing list for our members and passed a sheet for corrections and additions and others who wished to be placed on the mailing list. He has the following files on hand of addresses of Genealogical Libraries: Canada, New York State, New England States, Michigan and maps of New England States.

Jan Morgan reported there were forms available for those desiring them. The copy machine will be available for all to use. The cost for copies will be six cents for forms on hand and individual sheets will be ten cents each.

Jan Morgan announced that the church would be open each Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. She stated that she, Bernice and Ed would be available to help researchers, and they could call one of us ^{to} unlock the door in the event no one was there when they came.

Shirley Hodges of MMGS gave us a copy of by-laws for our reference to help in setting up our group by-laws.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jan Morgan asked that the following committees be formed: Refreshments, Calling, Publicity, By-laws, and help on the days the office would be open. The following committees were set-up: Refreshments - Jean Crawford; Publicity - Ed Parker, Jan Morgan and Bernice Collins. Jan Morgan agreed to handle the phone part of the Calling Committee. She has been calling the Ingham County News and other sources and will be willing to continue this program. Jan, Ed, Bernice and Joyce Darrow agreed to help in maning the office one half day per week at the church.

Shirley Hodges stated that the Colonial Board in Lansing has logged us for advertising our group. She also has announced our group meetings at both the Eaton County and Mid-Michigan Genealogical Society groups and asked for flyers to take with her when she has some speaking engagements to help promote our group.

Dean Bullen told about his project of researching and printing the family history. He wrote letters to various families in California and contacted the Ingham County Court House and various other sources of research.

Through the Genealogical Helper Publication he was able to purchase a computer and soft ware and also took a course in night school to learn how to run the computer. He stated that maps were very helpful to check on land ownership in Aurelius and Delhi townships. The Mason Printing Company was very helpful in putting the book together. He mentioned that the use of pictures were very helpful. Binding Unlimited helped in producing his 400 page book at a very reasonable price. He said that he mailed sheets to all for proofing but received very little response.

He stated that the LDS Church was very helpful and wanted copies of his book for the files of their churches but he found the cost to be prohibitive.

Following his presentation a question and answer period was held.

Jan Morgan asked for someone to volunteer to help on the By-laws. There being none, the matter was tabled until the next meeting.

Shirley Hodges announced that we should be aware of a possible conflict with our meeting in November because of changes in other group meeting dates. She was not sure there would be a conflict but wanted us to be aware of the possibility of a conflict. Jean Crawford offered to help in this matter.

Jan Morgan asked all members to furnish three copies of a list of the surnames being researched for our files. In this way we would be able to help each other in the event we came across a name that someone in the group might be researching.

Bill Atkinson announced that the Computer Group meets at Valley Court in East Lansing Building at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the odd month. All are welcome to attend. They have soft ware packages and Network Internet and would be glad to share information with anyone who would be interested.

Shirley Hodges spoke about the Eaton County Workshop-Volunteer Work Group. They meet Monday nights at 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. and invited our group to attend their meetings.

The Eaton County Society meets every day from 10:00 to 2:00 at the Court House and is manned by volunteers. She asked for flyers to take to their meetings.

Jan Morgan asked about our program for September. Ed Parker volunteered to speak about his family research project.

Bill Atkinson suggested that we mark our calendar for a two to three day seminar week-end meeting at the Holiday Inn on September 20-21, 1996. This will be sponsored by the MMGS. They will need volunteers to help. The meetings will start Thursday with an Early Bird meeting at 8:00 p.m. Saturday they plan a Banquet Dinner. They are planning to have about 700 to 800 people attending. Call Jan Morgan for more details.

He also announced a Conference in Gaylord in November of 1995 and suggested we pass out flyers at their meeting also.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bernice Collins
Bernice Collins, Secretary