

**Ingham County Genealogical Society
General Membership Meeting
March 12, 2015**

The March 12, 2015, regular Membership meeting of the Ingham County Genealogical Society (ICGS) was held at the Sam Corey Senior Center, Holt, Michigan with 38 people in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER: President Diane Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. She recognized guests that were present and reminded members to sign up for greeter, hosting and refreshments, and library.

PROGRAM: Lorie Neuman introduced Jessica Trotter from CADL whose presentation was entitled "Cluster Research – Are We Related to Everyone On The Block?"

BUSINESS MEETING: President Diane Bishop called the meeting to order at 8:20 p.m.

MINUTES: A motion was made to accept the minutes for the November 13, 2014 and February 19, 2015 meetings by Richard Muñoz and was seconded by William Carr. The motion was accepted and passed.

OFFICER REPORTS

President: Diane Bishop drew everyone's attention to the Upcoming Events calendar. The evening's volunteers were recognized and thanked.

Vice President: Lorie Neuman announced that the May speaker will be Shirley Hodges. The speaker for April is to be determined.

Treasurer: The Income and Expense Report was reviewed. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report by Joann DePeel and seconded by Sam Pardee. The motion was accepted and passed.

Membership: Joann DePeel reported that 6 individuals have joined the Society.

Librarian: Isabelle Wells reported that the library is open again (it was closed due to the boiler breakdown). Help is needed, please consider volunteering.

Trustees: Nothing to report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Historian: Nothing to report.

Merchandise Sales: Nothing to report.

Newsletter: Cindy Hawkins reported that the April newsletter articles are needed by March 31.

Publicity: Nothing to report.

Publishing: Nothing to report.

Social: Nothing to report.

Website: Nothing to report.

MGC Delegates: Sam Pardee reported that changes are being made to the Seeking Michigan website and death certificates 1897-1952 will be loaded. Papers that were donated by Detroit News are ready for posting to the internet. On July 10, there will be a lock-in at the Archives. Seating is limited so sign up now. The Abrams Seminar is scheduled for July 10-11. Sam also mentioned that nominations are being considered for the Lucy Mary Kellogg award. MGC is accepting applications for elected positions and committee positions.

FGS Delegate: William Carr reported that he attended The Federation of Genealogical Societies (FGS) conference and it was a success.

OLD BUSINESS: Diane Bishop thanked everyone for completing the membership survey. If you want to be on the committee to review the summarized survey and prioritize the most important issues, let Diane know.

NEW BUSINESS:

Farmers Market – Let Diane know if you are interested in going to a Farmers Market where you live. She will find out the requirements and get supplies to you. This is a great opportunity to get out and let people know about our society.

Spring Fling/Down Home Days – After some discussion, it was agreed that the Society should participate in the Spring Fling (May 2) and Down Home Days (September 19). Sign up sheets will be available at the April meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND ADJOURNMENTS

Next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 9, 2015 at the Sam Corey Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Isabelle Wells and seconded by Phyllis Whidden. The motion was accepted and passed at 8:53 p.m.

Submitted by:

Lora McAdams, Recording Secretary