



## Ingham County Genealogical Society General Membership Meeting March 8, 2018

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The March 8, 2018, general membership meeting of the Ingham County Genealogical Society (ICGS) was held at the Sam Corey Senior Center, Holt, Michigan.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Audrey Martini called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Jim Beckwith led members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PROGRAM:** *Top Ten Irish Websites* by Cathy Cattone

### **BUSINESS MEETING**

**CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM:** Beverley Bockes confirmed there was a quorum.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION:** Jim Beckwith made a motion to approve the agenda. Sam Pardee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Connie Stewart requested past meeting minutes to be put up on the website. Isabelle Wells asked about a \$150 expense for membership brochures that was not initially included in the budget. Audrey reported the membership approved the expense and the budget will be adjusted accordingly in the future.

**MOTION:** Jim Beckwith made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 8, 2018, meeting. Sam Pardee seconded the motion. The motion carried.

### **OFFICER REPORTS:**

**President, Audrey Martini:** Nothing to Report.

**Vice President/Program Chairman, Ricardo Muniz:** Nothing to Report. Not in Attendance

**Treasurer, Dan Neuman:**

The income statement from February 2018 reflects that the society received

- \$50 in membership dues
- \$5 in library donations
- \$4 coffee tee donation

In administrative, ICGS had \$297.99 in expenses in February 2018.

Balance Sheet reflected:

- Checking Account Balance of \$4,960.13
- Savings Account Balance of \$6,205.65
- \$8,912.33 in the General Fund
- \$1,350.80 in the Save the Newspaper Reserve
- \$297.65 in the Capital Equipment Reserve
- \$605 in the Donna Hemminger Reserve

MOTION: Jane Wallin moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. Beverly Bockes seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Recording Secretary, Jeff Antaya:** Nothing to Report

**Membership Secretary, Beverley Bockes:** There are two new members to ICGS, Mary Brown and Michelle Booth. A guest, Carol Lowel, was in attendance. There are a total of 71 members.

**Librarian, Charles Hagler:** The library had an uptick in traffic with e-mail requests and library patrons. ICGS also received a thank you note from the Sam Corey Senior Center for the \$100 donation by ICGS.

**Trustees, Jane Wallin & Jeff Montgomery:** Nothing to report.

**Past President, Diane Bishop:** Nothing to report.

#### COMMITTEE AND DELEGATE REPORTS:

##### Computer/Social Media

**Web Master, Harry Warner:** Nothing to report.

**Facebook Page, Sandra Enness:** Nothing to report

**Facebook Group, Jeff Antaya:** Nothing to report.

**Marketing, Sandra Enness:** Nothing to report

**Historian, Alice Raatz:** Nothing to report. Not in attendance.

**Program, Ricardo Muniz:** Nothing to report. Not in attendance.

**Publications, Connie Stewart:** Connie Stewart presented a statement prepared by Connie Stewart, Isabelle Welles, and Diane Bishop, regarding the Save the Newspapers project. In summary Connie presented four points.

1. They provided a reminder that the object and purpose of the Ingham County Genealogical Society are to preserve genealogical records, promote the exchange of knowledge, publish genealogical materials, and provide research and education

opportunities.

2. Stated the funds designated during fundraising events for the "Save the Newspapers" were donated in good faith to digitize newspapers.
3. The statement requested the microfilms be returned to the ICGS Resource Room so they be taken to a storage facility that has been offered for one year, free of cost.
4. Requested the reinstatement of the Newspaper committee of Isabelle Wells, Diane Bishop, and Connie Stewart with Charles Hagler appointed as the Chairman of the Committee. Further requested resuming digitizing the Stockbridge newspapers approved using the monies collected to digitize as many reels as possible. In addition, it is requested to resume active fundraising and donations for the project.

**Michigan Genealogical Council, Sam Pardee:** There were no representatives from the Archives of Michigan or the Library of Michigan. Seekingmichigan.org is being reorganized and changes are being made. Death records from 1942 are being finished shortly. The State of Michigan has told counties they should only keep probate records for so many years and then ship them to the archives. NGS Conference in May is still looking for volunteers. The September delegate meeting will be Alpena. On Saturday, March 16, the officer's workshop will be held at the Pickney Library.

**Social Committee, Lorie Neuman:** Lorie will not be at the April, 2018, meeting. Audrey will bring coffee. Volunteers are still needed for treats.

**Newsletter, Martha Marshal & Shelia Truman:** Nothing to report.

**Federation of Genealogical Societies:** Nothing to report.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Society Night at the NGS Family History Conference, May 2-5, 2018, in Grand Rapids, Jeff Antaya.:** Please contact Jeff Antaya if you would like to volunteer to staff the ICGS table at Society night.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Audio/Visual:** Charles Hagler suggested the idea of ICGS purchasing their own microphone for society meetings. Audrey will looking into this.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS & ADJOURNMENT:**

- March 10, 2018, National Genealogy Day: South Lansing CADL Library Open-House Event
- Articles for Spring (April) issue are due to Audrey Martini or Marty Marshall by 8 pm, Friday, March 16, 2018
- The next meeting of the Capital Area DNA Interest Group is Saturday, April 7, 2018, downtown Lansing CADL Library
- 2018 Family History Seminar, Lansing Family History Center, 431 E. Saginaw East Lansing, April 28
- Society Night at the NGS Family History Conference, May 2-5, 2018, in Grand Rapids

Audrey Martini adjourned the meeting at 8:43 p.m.

Respectively Submitted by  
Jeff Antaya, Recording Secretary.

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