

EATON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY
MEMBERSHIP MEETING
OCTOBER 15, 2014

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Charles Chamberlain at 7pm.

Charles welcomed everyone and had guests introduce themselves, Alan and Cindy Robards, Richard Foster, Larry Hines, Sharen Furman and Pat Zrelink.

Meeting suspended for our speaker, Tom Potter, giving a talk on Seth Thomas Clocks that were made from 1810-1931.

Meeting reconvened at 7:35pm. By Charles Chamberlain. Announcements for the evening:

Make sure you sign in.

The last Quest publication needs articles sent in digital ready form to Bill Haines by November 1, 2014.

Copies of the proposed 2015 budget are on the side table, we will be voting on them at the November meeting.

Also being voted on in November is a By-Laws change, which shall read: **Changes in Bold Type.**

OFFICERS

1. The elected officers of the Society shall be President, Vice-president, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Membership Secretary, Treasurer, Trustees (3). The President may appoint chairpersons as deemed necessary with the approval of the Executive Board.
2. Officers shall be elected by ballot or verbal vote annually at the May, **November** Membership meeting with terms beginning July, **January 1**, and continue in office for one year or until their successors are elected and qualify. A Trustee shall be elected each year for a three year term to fill the expiring term.
3. A majority of all votes cast shall be necessary to constitute an election.
4. No member shall be elected to the office of President for more than four full consecutive years.
5. Vacancies in office, other than the President, shall be filled by appointment of the President to fill out the unexpired term with the approval of the Executive Board. In case of a vacancy in the office of President, the Vice-President shall become President.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. The order of business of all meetings shall be, but not limited to the following:
 - a. Call to Order
 - b. Reading of the minutes
 - c. Reports of officers
 - d. Reports of committees
 - e. Old business
 - f. New business
 - g. Election of officers (held annually at May, **November** Membership Meeting.
2. All meetings shall be conducted according to parliamentary procedure.

Bus trip to Fort Wayne, Indiana, November 1, 2014. Meet at Charlotte Courthouse. Bus leaves at 7:00am. Contact Shirley Hodges to see if there are seats available. Cost is \$30.00. Vickie Mott Friddle will be checking everyone in at the Courthouse prior to boarding the bus. Jan Shepler will not be able to attend and is donating her seat to whom ever would like to go. Please contact Shirley if you are interested.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sherry Copenhaver had mock up copies of the new ECG newsletter, that will start in January of 2015. This newsletter will be sent to members digitally monthly to their e-mails. Great Job Sherry!!

Sherry, also mentioned that the November 12th pre-meeting, we will be having pizza and a demo on our Societies Website, so you can maneuver through all our information. This is 5-7:00pm, November 12, 2014. The regular meeting will begin at 7:00pm, November 12, 2014, This is one week earlier because of Thanksgiving.

Up coming events:

Tomorrow, Thursday, Oct 16, 2014, pot luck dinner at 6pm. Followed by program at 7pm. Sunfield Historical, Welch Museum. Speaker Sharon Kehetian Broglin, program is Victorian Funeral Customs with a Cemetery Walk Sunday, Oct 19 at 2pm.

Sunday, October 19, 2014 is the 175th Anniversary Tea for at the GAR Mansion in Marshall, Michigan.

Shirley Hodges will present Basic Genealogy Class at the Charlotte Community Library, 226 Bostwick, October 29 and Nov. 5, 2014, from 5-7pm. There will be a tour of the ECGS research facility after class.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm. Refreshments held after meeting.

Respectfully Submitted, Janyce Shepler, Recording Secretary