

EATON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

AUGUST 17, 2011

The meeting of the Eaton County Genealogical Society was called to order by Co-President Shirley Hodges at 7:00 pm..

Vice President, Bill Haines reported that he is in need of suggestion on topics or speakers for the up coming year, and anyone may volunteer to be a speaker. Please contact Bill,

Membership Secretary, Barb Smith reported we have 130 members, 15 new members, and that the Quest is ready. Please sign the sheet in office if your are picking up your request tonight.,

Treasurer, Steve Smith, bills paid, up to date, copy available on front table.

Hospitality, Betty Polhamus reported new members as of this evening. Dora Nettlemen, Drenda Medina, Karen Schavey. Also, the sign up sheets for Frontier days were passed around. One for Baked goods, the other for Working times.

Webmaster, Sherry Copenhaver reported Diamondale completed, Windsor Twp. All records available. Olivet Cemetery and Gresham are in the works.

Gary Copenhaver reported on the Civil War Project for ECGS. Five new certificates were given our and when he was in Washington, D.C. He looked up pension records for some members. The Civil War Reenactment, largest in the Mid-West is **August 27 and 28, 2011** at Cascade Park, Jackson, MI.

Old business: The ECGS bus trip is scheduled for **October 15, 2011**, get your reservations in ASAP, bus leaves promptly at 7:00 am. Here at the Court House in Charlotte.

Saturday, **Aug. 20th** the Ionia Co. Open House is scheduled. In need of cookies for snacks.

New Business: CHS report from Shirley Hodges. We rent space from them and the boiler is gone, no longer works. Steve Smith made a motion that \$1,000.00 go to the CHS from the unrestricted funds of our society to help pay for boiler, seconded by Jo Glasgow. No discussion.

Shirley mentioned the publication the Ledge, from the Court House Square available on the front desk. Also do not forget every Monday is indexing here at the Court House or research, from 6:00-8:00 pm. Everyone welcome. Currently working on the Pray Funeral Home records,.

Tomorrow, August 18th anyone interested will meet at the State Library of Michigan, from 10:00 am, with a tour of the Archives at 11:00 am. Feel free to stay and do research. We need to let the library know we are using the genealogy department. The library closes at 5:00 pm. Hours for **State of Michigan Library, Monday through Friday 10:00 am. To 5:00 pm. The Archives are open Monday through Friday 1:00 pm. To 5:00 pm.**

October 29, 2011 Library of Michigan with be having a seminar.

Sunfield, Michigan has a new museum. The Walsh family has donated the building and will be used by the Historical Society as headquarters.

The Eaton County Historical society will have an Civil War demo, **Oct. 22, 2011** at Centennial Acres golf Course. Sunfield has the oldest G.A.R. In the United States.

The Delta Historical Society has a meeting at 7:00 pm. At the G.A.R. Building.

The Sunfield Farmers Picnic and Parade are schedule for Saturday and the museum and G.A.R. Building will be open.

Break taken for speaker, Bill Atkinson, subject "Grandfather's Trunk"

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Shepler, Recording Secretary.