EATON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

OCTOBER 19, 2011

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Co-Presidents Sher Brown and Shirley Hodges.

MEMBERSHIP: Barb Smith reported 138 members for 2011, we are up 21 new member from last year. Last year we had 120 members.

CEMETERY PROJECT: Gary Copenhaver reported things are progressing on Olivet and there is only one more meeting left for the year.

TREASURER: Steve Smith had profit and loss and balance sheets available for review. All bills have been paid. We netted \$953.55 from the Frontier Days, and the bus trip to Fort Wayne netted \$414.00.

NEWSLETTER: Sher mentioned the deadline for information into the newsletter is November 1st.

HOSPITALITY: Betty Polhamus introduced guests Jack and Barbara Worthington, Yvonne Koos, and Roger Kekissdoll.

Shirley reported that the boiler was in and that the Court House really appreciated the \$1,000.00 that we donated. A group from the 4-H club came in and cleared out the old boiler and saved the Court House \$1,000.00.

Barb Smith addressed the new By-Law changes, copies are available for review. We will vote on the changes and corrections at the November meeting.

Old Business:

Bus Trip to Fort Wayne. Shirley Hodges mentioned that next year we will most likely change the date to November, due to the fact that October is Genealogy month and the libraries schedule is swamped.

Room Volunteer: Liz Jones will help out for the next couple of months, but more volunteers are needed.

MGSC: Delegates are needed to represent the Society. They meed every other month at the State of Michigan Archives.

Publication Committee: Workers are needed.

Library Review Committee: help is also needed.

A sign up sheet was passed around for anyone who would be willing to help out on any of the committees.

Cemetery Symbols Project: Sherry Copenhaver will have a CD available at a cost of \$10.00. A sign up sheet was sent around for those interested in one. Sherry said a lot of people helped her put this together.

Equipment Needs: Sher Brown mentioned that a zoom lens is needed because you are unable to read the newspapers. Steve is checking into a price. It was mentioned by Gary Copenhaver that the Board has discretionary purchase available up to \$500.00.

Motion made by Gary Copenhaver and seconded by Betty Polhamus to give the Board up to \$800.00 for this particular purchase. Discussion. Passed.

Coming Events:

Oct 20, 2011 Research Day at Library of Michigan Oct. 22, 2011 Sunfield Historical Society Workshop Oct. 28-29, 2011 MGC and Archives Workshop. Friday afternoon workshop is free and a visit to the Archives.

Next meeting will be November 9, 2011 due to the holiday schedule. Speaker will be CSA Julie Kimmer.

Break for our speaker Sandra Redmond on the "Holdings in Calhoun Co."

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Respectfully submitted: Jan Shepler, Recording Secretary.