

Meeting was called to order by President Cynthia Grostick at 1:03 PM. All were welcomed, and guests were invited to introduce themselves. They were, Logan Daniel, Ann O'Dell, Dan Stock, all members of Huron Shores GS.

Randy Riley then gave an update on happenings at the Library of Michigan. He thanked the genealogical community for their support during the budget-caused upheaval and changes in HAL. Appears there may be a 20% cut in the budget for the library in 2010. Many changes could occur in library operations. Some subscriptions, such as newspapers, would be cancelled. No problems so far with the change from HAL to Dept of Education. Still coordinating with Mark Harvey regarding the seekingmichigan.org website. They are evaluating all facets of all collections, to be prepared just in case budget constraints become worst-case scenario. Abrams funds in the Library Foundation have been earmarked for digitization projects. Talbert Abrams of Abrams Aerial Survey, started the Abrams Foundation. In the past, they have been very generous to the library. Barbara Brown became President of the Foundation Board. She is also a genealogist and is interested in supporting projects that assist researchers of family history/genealogy and collections.

Cindy then asked for a motion on the Minutes of the 10 September 2009 Delegate meeting. Minutes were reviewed and it was noted there were three errors. On page 3, 4th paragraph, name should read "Mary Lou Duncan"; on page 3 under attendance, bottom of page, delete J W Gorski (D). Then, on page 4, J William Gorski is a Delegate, not Alternate. J W Gorski then made motion to accept minutes as amended, motion was seconded by Ann Martin, and motion carried. Joanne Harvey indicated that after further review, the Dept of Community Health would not be publishing the proposed booklet regarding researching vital records.

Treasurers Report presented by Laurine Griffin indicated a balance of \$63,802.95 in all accounts, much of which is earmarked. She further indicated that as of 1 November, the following societies had not paid dues: Berrien Co, Charlevoix Co, Emmet Co, Holland, Huron Co, Kalamazoo Valley, Kalkaska, Lenawee Co, Livingston Co, Northeast Mich, North Oakland, Redford Twp, Rose City, Roseville, Sanilac Co, and Waterford. Societies not paid by year-end will be dropped from membership.

Program for the day was information regarding Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, presented by Rick Danes. Rick discussed the National Graves Registration Project for Civil War Veterans. National Graves Registration can be accessed at www.suvvcw.org/. Then, scroll to website index, then SUCVW Special Projects, then National Graves Registration Database, then search entries. Regimental Rosters for Michigan and almost other states are available at the Library of Michigan. Rick can be contacted at 1-313-363-3560.

Presidents Report, presented by Cindy Grostick. As you remember, the Governors' Executive Order indicated she would appoint a Board to consider Dept HAL. MGC sent word out that we would like interested persons to submit resumes to MGC. After reviewing those resumes, the Executive Board deemed Dr Frank Boles of Central Michigan University to be best qualified. Cindy indicated she had submitted recommendation to the Governors office. To remain a viable and progressive entity, some changes needed to be made. Additional effort will be placed on ensuring programs are meaningful and beneficial to attendees. Meeting dates will go back to the second Thursday of the month, other than November, as 2d Thursday in November is a holiday. Board meetings will be at 10:00 AM, and Delegate Meetings will be at 1:00 PM. On 14 January 2010, Delegate meeting will be in the Forum, and the Board meeting will be in Lake Superior room. Board will meet in Lake Superior room on 11 February.

In March and April, no meeting space is available in the Library. Negotiations are being made to meet at the Family History Center in East Lansing. On 13 May, meetings will be in Lake Erie Room; and on 10 Jun the Board will meet in Lake Erie room. Not sure of meeting rooms yet for Delegates on July 8th, Board on August 12th, Delegates on 9 September, Board on 14 October, Delegates on 10 November (11th is a Holiday), and Board meeting on 9 December. After reviewing committee assignments, Executive Board determined the following were viable committees, and MGC president named persons to fill those committee chairs:

Archivist – Janet Romas
Awards – Jim Jackson
Calendar – Connie Olson
Central Mail – Sam Pardee
Historian – Barbara Curtindale
Immediate Past President – Joanne Harvey

Membership – Mary Strouse
Newsletter – Tammy Parsons
Public Records Access – Tom Koselka
Publications – Pam Epple
Publications Distribution – Sam Pardee
Annual Reports – Sue Irvine
Website – Tom Koselka
Nominating Committee – Trustees

Joanne Harvey indicated a willingness to serve as Vital Records. Additional committees are:

Legislative Liaison, - Tom Koselka
Seminar – Connie Olson
By-Laws – Barbara Curtindale

Cindy then mentioned an award called the Filby Award. This is a very prestigious award presented annually by the National Genealogical Society and Pro-Quest to honor a genealogical librarian. The MGC Board of Directors has voted to nominate Randy Riley for this award. If they wish, member societies are invited to submit a letter of recommendation. Letters must reach Cindy no later than 31 December 2009. For those interested, Cindy had a list of requirements and put it on the table.

Sue Irvine, Vice-President, indicated the March Program will be Mary Strouse, and topic will be Working With the Family History Center on Indexing on line.

Tom Koselka, Corresponding Secretary, covered the incoming mail. Included were a Thank You letter from the Library of Michigan Foundation for our donation, which was based on attendance at the workshop in September. Also, a book was received for a possible book review, called "Trial of Will" about a German immigrant.

Tammy Parsons, Newsletter Editor, indicated the next newsletter will be out in January. As previously mentioned, deadline will be 1 December.

Connie Olson has volunteered to work on setting up an Officers Workshop next year for the officers of member societies. General discussion was held on type of meeting, and location. One thought was possibly having a blog. Areas of concern included traveling distances for many society members. Connie will keep working on it.

Friendly Forum☺

- Dawn Kelley indicated the Muskegon Society had published Volume 1, History of Muskegon County, Michigan. Flyers are available.
- Laurine Griffin suggested that if MGC did schedule a meeting up north, perhaps it should be when the colors were on and we could advertise it as a color tour.
- Judy Sheldon, from Huron Shores GS said they are cleaning house and she has a list of excess material. Or, send note to their email address, and list will be sent to you.
- Lori Fox of Ionia Co GS, said their November meeting on the 14th will feature a program on the Civilian Conservation Corps. Program is at 1:00 in the Freight Office Museum. If you had any connection with Ionia Co, and had a family member involved in the Korean War, get in touch with them. They will be publishing a book about Korean War Veterans.

There being no further business before the members, Cindy adjourned the business meeting and turned it over to Jim Jackson, Awards Chairman.

Jim Jackson gave a brief background of the Lucy Mary Kellogg Award. He then explained the process of selecting a person to be recognized as an awardee. The person selected to receive the Lucy Mary Kellogg Award for 2009 is Alonzo Sherman of the Huron Shores Genealogical Society. Judy Sheldon read his list of accomplishments.

Attendees then participated in refreshments in Alonzo Sherman's honor.

Prepared by Sam Pardee, Recording Secretary

ATTENDANCE
10 November 2009

Calhoun Co GS	Lucindia Wilson (D)	Jim Jackson (D)	
Cass River GS	Marie McGregor (D)	Dorothy Kuck (A)	
Cheboygan Co GS	Ann Martin (D)(PP)		
Clinton Co HGS	Lynne Gregory (D)		
Cornish Connection	Carolyn Haines (A)	Jeanne Thomas (D)	
Dearborn GS	Laurine Griffin (D)	Tom Koselka (A)	
Detroit Soc for GR	Mary Lou Duncan (D)		
Downriver GS	Tom Koselka (D)		
Eaton Co GS	Joan Glasgow (D)	Jim Collins (D)	
Farmington GS	Byron Bailey (D)		
Flint GS	Jim Thornton	Barb Thornton	Bernard Griggs Donald Smith
Gaylord Fact Finders	Donald & Janet Rechlin (D)		
Gladwin Co GS	Barbara Curtindale (D)	Mary Strouse (D)	
Harrison Area GS	Barbara Curtindale (D)		
Hillsdale Co GS	Virginia Tervol (A)		
Huron Shores GS	Judy Sheldon (D)	Alonzo Sherman	
Ingham Co GS	Tammy Parson (D)	Sam Pardee (D)	
Ionia Co GS	Lori Fox (D)		
Irish GS of MI	Mary Lou Duncan (D)		
Isabella Co GS	Linda Hopp (D)		
Jackson Co GS	Stacy Stoner (D)		
Kalamazoo Valley GS	Ken Baker (D)	Jim Jackson (D)	
Lapeer Co GS	Al Hart (D)	Betty Ann Ivory (D)	
Lenawee Co GS	Virginia Tervol (D)		
Mid-Mich GS	Grover Sandrock (D)	Joanne Harvey (D)	
Midland GS	Beverly Keicher (D)	Faye Ebach (D)	
GS Monroe Co	Florence Wilson (D)		
Muskegon Co GS	Dawn Kelley (D)	Kathy DeCormer (D)	
Northeast MI GS	Janet Romas (D)		
Polish GS of MI	Valerie Koselka (D)	J Wm Gorski (D)	
Redford Twp GS	Maureen Lehman (D)		
Shiawassee Co GS	Don Smith (D)	Janet Confer (D)	
Stockbridge Area G&HS	Cynthia Grostick (D)		
Washtenaw Co GS	Barbara Giezentaner (D)	Jessie Siekmeier (D)	
Western MI GS	Graham Hollis (D)	Sue Irvine (D)	
Western Wayne Co GS	Delphine Goodwin (D)	Lois Rzepka (D)	
MGC Past President	Connie Olson	Joanne Harvey	Ann Martin

Guests Logan Daniel - Ann Odell - Dan Stock (Huron Shores GS)