

# Randolph County Genealogy Society

Newsletter April, 2013

Greetings! Twelve members were present for the April 2 meeting. Thank you for checking the label that shows the last year you paid dues. More dues have been coming. Thanks muchly.

Receipts in March totaled \$982.67; that includes \$730 in dues. GREAT!

Disbursements totaled \$449.46. The utilities will be paid this first week.(\$112)

The members voted to spend \$350 for an outdoor sign, and approx. \$600 to have the Microfiche Reader-Printer serviced. Several reels have been indexed. Do you have questions about our early years? Janice has continued to browse the reels for information.

Welcome to our new member, Robert Palmier.

Albert G. Gross sent us this interesting information after reading about Veterans buried in Kelly Cemetery.

*Samuel Campbell, a Black Hawk War veteran, is buried in Kelly Cemetery. He was born in 1803 and came to the Evansville area in 1807 with his parents from Abbyville, SC. When the Black Hawk War of 1832 broke out, he enrolled in J. Brigg's Mounted Militia on May 24, 1832. Brigg's militia participated in the Battle of Wisconsin Heights and the Battle of Bad Ax. Samuel returned to the Evansville area after the war, married, raised a family, and died in 1856. He is buried in the Campbell plot in the Kelly Cemetery, and his grave is marked with a military marker. Samuel Campbell is a great+ uncle of RCGS member Ella May Gross.*

*Ella May Gross, will celebrate her 103rd birthday on May 5, 2013. She lives in The Garden Place in Red Bud, and her health is good for her age. She is an avid reader of Books For The Blind and looks forward to visits from her five great grandchildren. Born in 1910, she grew up on a farm north of Walsh, IL. She worked as a teacher and farm wife. One of her past favorite hobbies was helping others trace their family trees through genealogy. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, ELLA MAY!!*

*Midge is making progress with indexing the old newspaper items and research; June researches, answers email and mail queries while greeting visitors with a smile. We've been happy to have Leona come in to help.*

*Joyce and Lottie research, check the weekly papers for vital statistics to save and prepare the monthly and quarterly mailings, prepare book orders and check inventory. And we're happy you're keeping the treasurer busy updating the dues and book orders.*

Please remember to send an article for the quarterly that tells why you belong to RCGS and how you first became interested in joining the organization. Many of our members live in other states. We look forward to an email or snail mail letter from you. [rcgs@egyptian.net](mailto:rcgs@egyptian.net)

Several members brought refreshments that were very enjoyable. Thank you one and all.

The next meeting is May 14, 2 p.m. in the RCGS office in Steeleville. For refreshments: Will the strawberries be ripe?

And to all Mothers, we wish you a HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!!

**Thank You for sending dues.**

*Emily Lyons*