

Randolph County Genealogy Society

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Hello Everyone,

The May 8th regular meeting was attended by eight members. After discussion, a motion was made to have 100 more books, Steeleville and Its Early Years written and compiled by Imogene Fiene, printed. All proceeds go to maintaining the genealogy facility for researchers. We have 34 names that have reserved a book. We plan to have them available by July 1. If you send a payment to order or drop by and order from Imogene before July 1, the cost is \$25 plus \$1.56 tax in Illinois. For Orders received July 1 and after, include \$25 plus \$1.81 tax in Illinois. For All orders mailed, include \$5 for shipping and handling.

Books mailed out of state are \$25 plus \$5 s/h.

We thank Conrad and Carole Tovar for donating the family genealogy book, Brownlee and Smith; and Darlene Acker Burzynski for donating her genealogy book, A Genealogy of the Haas, Hopfinger, Wolf, Lander, Acker, Reis, Rosche, and Helms Families to our Library. If you see any names you recognize, we may have information for you. Both books are well researched. We appreciate the generosity of both.

REMINDER: The Heyls are still busy finding GPS locations to those cemeteries. All help is much appreciated. Look and Like the Facebook page for the latest. 172 cemeteries have been located, but if you know of any burial area, no matter how small, that you feel may not be listed yet, please give us a call or email to check it out.

Tex Banash presented excerpts from his book, Little Known Facts About Illinois at Chester Library, May 8th. Many of the group attending remarked they found it very interesting.

We welcome new members Kerry McCarty, Michael Dagner & Charlotte Milleson. Please visit us soon.

We have received two inquiries concerning our ability to send the newsletters and quarterlies on line. This was discussed at the meeting. The members feel that so many of our members do not use the internet and look forward to receiving the hardcopies in the mail, that it would not be to anyone's advantage. In fact, our only computer still uses the XP program and we do not have the capability or manpower to send those on the internet.

On voting: the policy of RCGS is to have members present at the November meeting to vote and be available for office. Again, we do not have adequate internet service to offer the security that would be needed to vote on line. Without the security, there is no way to determine who is actually voting.

Out next program is July 1st, 6:30 p.m. when Alan Hoffman will present facts from the Journal he translated from French, Marquis de Lafayette in America, in 1824 and 1825.

The next meeting is June 10, 2014, 2 p.m. at the RCGS Library in Steeleville.

TREASURER'S REPORT April 1 - 30, 2014

Total RECEIPTS: \$234.36 Includes \$100 for dues – Thank you, Everyone for your support and cooperation. We keep trying to make RCGS as successful as it has been in the past.

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 832.46

Steeleville Post Office – Bulk Mail fee \$220.00 Village of Steeleville – Garbage 12.75

Egyptian Telephone – Internet 24.95 Newsletters postage - \$38.96

Copies (per contract) \$182.84 Office supplies – Stampers \$44.00

Frontier Communications 42.11 Office supplies - \$266.85

You're Invited: St. Clair County Genealogical Society has their Summer Seminar August 2, 2014, "Out of the Ordinary, Out of the Box". More info: www.stclair-ilgs.org

Perry County, MO, Historical Museum is open the first and third Saturdays April 5, 2014, through October 18, 2014. For appointments, or info: bspark@showme.net or 573-547-6493

Writers' Group for Family History & Genealogy meets at Belleville Public Library May 24, 2014. For info call 618-234-0441

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