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FGS Meetings are always open to the public and are held the 1st Tuesday of each month (except July, & August) starting at 7:00 p.m. The FGS meetings are held at:

Burton Senior Activity Center
3410 South Grand Traverse
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The FGS Executive Committee Meetings are open to the public.

The next Executive Committee meeting will be December 30, 2014 at the Perry Archives / Buick Gallery at 1:00 pm.

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Speakers Bureau



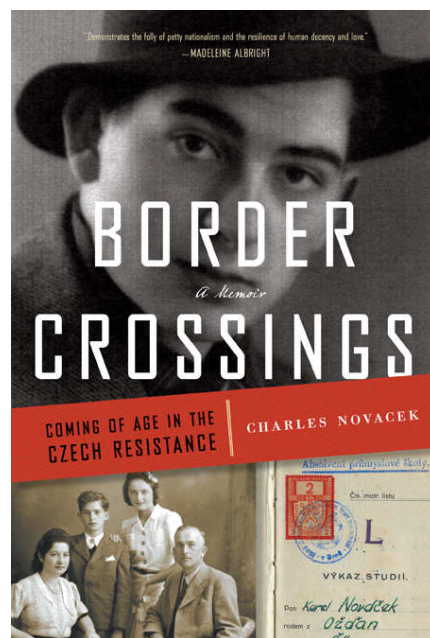
Our next meeting will be
Tuesday
December 2, 2014

Our speaker will be Sandra Novacek.

Her presentation will be

Border Crossings: Coming of Age in the Czech Resistance

Sandra Novacek is a librarian, writer, editor, and publisher from Detroit, Michigan. After earning a BA in English and Theater from Michigan State University and a Masters in Library Science from Wayne State University, Sandra worked as a high school English and theater teacher, and director of the U.S. Army Education Center in Pruem, Germany before becoming director of the Cromaine Library in Hartland, Michigan for 21 years. In 1996, Sandra married Charles Novacek, an artist, writer, and retired civil engineer. Widowed in 2007, Sandra has dedicated herself to fulfilling her late husband's wish for the publication of his memoir, *Border Crossings: Coming of Age in the Czech Resistance*, a firsthand account of his life spent as a youth in the Czech Resistance during World War II and the Cold War. Endorsed by Madeleine Albright, the memoir has been a winner and/or finalist of 14 awards including a Gold Medal for Memoir in the 2012 Midwest Book Awards. When she isn't speaking to groups and writing about *Border Crossings*, Sandra is seeking ways of getting her husband's story translated and turned into a screenplay and movie.



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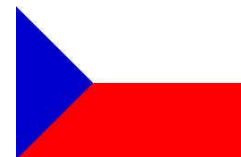
... in the *Genealogy Spotlight*



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Czechoslovakia genealogy



At Familysearch.org here are a few of the databases available:

Czech Republic, Births and Baptisms, 1637-1889

Czech Republic, Censuses, 1843-1921

Czech Republic, Church Books, 1552-1948

<https://familysearch.org>

A few of the databases available at Ancestry.com are:

Holocaust: Schindler's Lists **Free**

USHMM: Czechoslovakia, Jews Deported to Terezin and Poland, 1943-1945 **Free**

USHMM: Czechoslovakia, Jewish Applications for Social Welfare After WWII **Free**

<http://search.ancestry.com>

Cyndi's List for Czechoslovakia

<http://www.cyndislist.com/czech>

Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International

www.cgsi.org

Czech Republic Genealogy Search

<http://czechrepublic.worldvitalrecords.com>

Czech GenWeb

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~czewgw>

Czechoslovak Genealogy Sites on the Internet

http://www.svu2000.org/publications/genealogy/CS_Genealogy.htm

Czech Census Searchers

<http://czechcensus.tripod.com>



Around the State ...

Thursday, December 4, 2014 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Livingston County Genealogical Society

Christmas Dinner & Party

First United Methodist Church - 1230 Bower Street, Howell, MI 48843 – 1 block south of M59

<http://milcgs.wordpress.com/meetings>

Saturday, December 6, 2014 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Western Michigan Genealogical Society

DNA Testing for Genealogists - A Visual Introduction to the Basics and Beyond.

Presenter: Richard "Dick" Hill

http://www.wmgs.org/meetings_events.htm

Thursday, December 11, 2014 7:00 pm

Dearborn Genealogical Society

Heirlooms and Memories

Bring your favorite heirloom from your family or tell how you got started in genealogy.

This is an audience participation program.

<http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~midgs/programs.htm>

Thursday, December 13, 2014 7:00 pm

Ingham County Genealogical Society

Is meeting at the Vevay Township Hall, 780 Eden Road, one mile south of Mason, MI. The program will be "Tips and Tricks and Show and Tell Genealogy Round Table Discussion"

<http://www.icgsweb.org>

Monday, December 16, 2014 6:15 pm

Kalamazoo Valley Genealogical Society

KVGS 2nd Annual Holiday Gathering, Portage District Library

Bring your favorite holiday treats to share. Get to know each other and let's party!

<http://mikvgs.org>

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FLINT GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, November 4, 2014, at 7:00 P.M. at the Burton Senior Center in Burton, Michigan.

President, Della Gamalski, called the meeting to order.

Member, Dan Pozarek, led the membership in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag.

President, Della, asked guests to stand, introduce themselves and to give the family names that they are researching.

Acting Treasurer, Pam Smith, reported that for the month of October, 2014, we had income of \$1065.00 and expenses of \$683.56 leaving us with a balance of \$45,474.92 as of 10-31-2014. There were no questions, so her report was placed on file.

Della Gamalski noted that the speakers at our October meeting were the hosts of a talk radio program called, "Genealogy Gems" that is broadcast every Saturday at 5:00 P.M. on WCXI 1160 AM. One of them, Linda Dagenhardt, had called Della with feedback on the response that they had received as a result of their presentation at our meeting. They are still not getting enough callers to their radio program to make it worth their while to continue to broadcast. Della urged members to listen to the program and to call with questions or suggestions so that Linda and Diane will know that their efforts are appreciated.

Della announced that she has openings for two volunteers at the Genesee County Courthouse. Also, there are openings at the Flint Public Library for volunteers. Please call Della if you would be willing to volunteer at either site. We need your help.

Della asked for a show of hands to indicate how many members would be interested in taking a tour of the facilities at the Archives in Lansing, Michigan. She will contact Kris Rzepczynski at the Archives to arrange for a tour to apprise us of the many types of information that are available to genealogy researchers.

Della announced that long-time member, Bob Bastien, had passed away on November 2, 2014. She gave details about funeral arrangements and visitation.

There was no further business, so that portion of our meeting was adjourned.

Della introduced member Lorene Wilson who talked about and presented a documentary movie about "The Orphan Train in Michigan." It was an interesting look at a part of our American history of which many of us may not have been aware.

We had about 30 people in attendance.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

We thank Marti Voto, Ginnie Williams and Carole Mathews for providing delicious refreshments for our enjoyment. We, also, thank Hospitality Chair, Amy Hubbard, for making the coffee and keeping the kitchen running efficiently.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Winters, Acting Secretary



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2015 Membership Form / Renewal



Please fill out form, make check payable to Flint Genealogical Society, & return to:
PO Box 1217, Flint Michigan 48501-1217

Name (s): _____ Date: _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Would you like to receive an email reminder of meetings or newsletter? _____

We need volunteers, please, check all the areas that you would be interested in helping?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Records Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Question & Answer Table |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Book Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |

Membership type: New Renewal 2015, member number (s): _____

**** If renewal and you would like a new membership card, send a self addresses stamped envelope with your renewal form.***

- Individual \$20
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- Sustaining \$40 minimum (\$20 or \$25 applies to basic dues, balance is tax deductible. Your additional support is greatly appreciated.)

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